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In the article on London 2012 in the last issue, potential armourers were directed to an email address for Peter Huggins. This has now changed to: pjhuggins@btinternet.com

Joan Whitehouse has been recognised as Volunteer of the Year by the University of Birmingham. She received the Victoria Wesley Award for promoting fencing in the University, the local area and also for running the Birmingham International Tournament.



Peter Huggins has won the 'Unsung Hero' category in the annual Kent Regional News and Media Sports Awards. One of 14 nominees from sports countywide, he topped the poll in a vote by readers of the newspaper. Fencers voted for him in large numbers in appreciation of all that he has done for the sport both locally and nationally. (Kent Regional News)

COLLECTORS' CORNER

Among the film props that were auctioned by Angels the Costumiers in May were various items of Leon Paul fencing kit used in the James Bond film *Die Another Day*. The star item was a plastron and breeches worn by Rosamund Pike as Miranda Frost. Estimated at £500-£600, it was sold for an undisclosed sum. Madonna's glamorous black coach's outfit was not for sale.



Rosamund Pike as Miranda Frost

FIE RULES

The 2010 edition of the FIE Rules for Competitions is now posted on the British Fencing website. It includes all amendments of the Rules up to the end of May 2010. A new printed edition will be available shortly.

Connie Adam receives the Freedom of Norwich from the Lord Mayor, Eve Collishaw



CLUB NEWS

Two of **Norfolk Fencing Club's** oldest members have been in the news recently. Ken McCubbin, 83, the club's honorary president, has been given the Keith Peel Services to Sport award by the Eastern Daily Press in recognition of his contribution to fencing in Norfolk over a period of 43 years. Ken rescued the Norfolk Fencing Club from the doldrums in the early 70s after it had been declining for a number of years. He instigated and for many years ran, virtually single-handedly, the Norfolk Open, now in its 38th year. He also re-established the Norfolk County Fencing Union, providing competition opportunities for fencers throughout the county. It is only because of Ken's determination, unfailing sense of optimism and resilience that fencing is now so well established in Norwich.

Ken McCubbin with the Keith Peel award (photo: Tony Rose)



Bedford Fencing Club has lost two key members in quick succession. Club captain Graham Heale was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident in early June. A vital part of the club for nearly a decade, he had been team captain for 3 years and was a former club master-at-arms. Club chairman Will Coster said, "He was a loyal friend and much admired in the club and outside for his commitment, generosity and good humour. He will be greatly missed among his fellow fencers."

On a happier note, the club presented John Shearn, 74, with a trophy to mark his retirement as Secretary and coach after 15 years. He was instrumental in making the Bedford Open Epee competition a UK-ranking event.



John Shearn with his trophy

Connie Adam, 82, winner of numerous medals at the European and Commonwealth veterans championships, has finally achieved Freeman of Norwich status. For 800 years only men have been given the freedom of the city, a privilege that could then be claimed by their sons. But not by their daughters, and for 10 years Connie, whose father and grandfather were freemen, has been campaigning for the right to be admitted to this exclusive group. Only with the passing of new legislation – the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act – has it become possible for women to join the ranks of their fathers. Because of her surname, Connie Adam became the first freewoman of Norwich at a civic ceremony on 20th March.



Salisbury Fencing Club has gained Clubmark accreditation. Geoffery Russell, chairman, receives a certificate from Ray Stafford, President of England Fencing, to mark the occasion. (photo: John Cairns)



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News from the President



Internationally the period since my last News has been a highly successful one for British Fencing and for our fencers and coaches. British Fencing would like to congratulate each and every fencer who has achieved a top 16 or better international result. This is now our benchmark for a successful result. It has also been a period of organisational change, which will culminate at the AGM.

INTERNATIONAL RESULTS

At senior level we have had an exceptional period. In FIE World Cups Chrystall Nicoll won bronze in Klagenfurt and Koblenz, with Jo Hutchison 8th in Klagenfurt. Jon Willis was 7th in Australia and Richard Kruse won silver in Seoul. At Grand Prix level our men foilists still lead the way, with Laurence Halsted winning bronze in Tokyo and Richard Kruse silver in St. Petersburg. The men's foil team won the prestigious Berlin event for the second successive year. These senior results are most impressive. At junior and cadet level pride of place must be taken by Amy Radford who was 8th in the World Cadet Championships and has been selected by the British Olympic Association for the first ever Youth Olympic Games in Singapore this August. Gareth Thomas, Alex Tofalides, Henry Walker and Leah King all made top 16 placings at the Cadet/Junior World Championships in Baku. Our men's foil Team was 5th at these championships. At the European Under 23 Championships, Jenny McGeever made the top 16 and at

the recent European Veterans Team Championships, our women's sabre team won gold. My thanks to all the coaches and volunteers who make these results possible. Also thanks to Graham Watts and Cat Paterson who run our World Class Performance Pathway so successfully.

FIE/EUROPEAN CONFEDERATION MATTERS

I am pleased that at the FIE Congress in Baku the new international calendar was approved and our Eden Cup junior men's foil event and our senior women's sabre event were included. Equally pleasing is the inclusion of Camden and Manchester in the European cadet circuit for 2010/11. These events allow our fencers to gain international experience on home soil, showcase our sport, allow our referees and officials to gain experience and raise the profile of British Fencing internationally. Camden has been the personal achievement of Ronald Velden and Camden Fencing Club and Manchester is the product of the enthusiasm and dedication of Natalia Gyuricska, Robert Kiss and Steve Glaister. My thanks to them all. It is very pleasing that GLL have sponsored Camden and Tissot are going to sponsor Manchester. The Senior European Championships are in Leipzig in July and I am pleased to report that Mavis Thornton has been selected to be on the Directoire Technique and Lynne Melia has been selected as a referee by the EFC/FIE. Recently I was pleased that we were able to host the FIE Refereeing Commission meeting in

London, as well as the FIE CEO, Mrs Nathalie Rodriguez, and the FIE Competition Manager, Miss Ao Jie, and hope we may hold further FIE meetings in London before the Olympic Games.

LONDON OLYMPIC GAMES

Hilary Philbin is the LOCOG appointed Competition Manager for the Olympic Games and it was a pleasure to host loan Pop, FIE Technical Director, in London during his meetings with LOCOG. The Olympic test event has now been agreed for 26/27 November 2011 at the EXCEL Centre in London. This will comprise international individual and team competitions at men's foil to test out the facilities and organisation in the same venue as the fencing events for the Olympic Games. I am also pleased that Hilary will be publishing regular updates on progress and events running up to the Olympics.

REFEREEING

I am pleased that Murray Morrison was chosen for the European Under 23 Championships and refereed in the finals. Steve Glaister has been invited by the French Federation to referee at their national championships and I am glad that our Refereeing Committee wishes to invite foreign international referees to our British Championships in July. This will raise the quality of refereeing and also lead to our referees being invited to other countries' national championships. The FIE is eager to encourage younger and two-weapon referees, in particular

female referees in the coming years. I will be working closely with our Refereeing Committee on this as we want to develop our next generation of international referees. Ian Hunter and Suse Wesley are now Chairman and Vice Chair respectively of the committee and have ambitious plans to improve refereeing. I was pleased to run a refereeing course at short notice at Eltham College, using the new England Development Plan system; my thanks to Duncan Rowlands for designing this course and to Tim O'Connor for organising it. It was good to see the enthusiasm and knowledge of the candidates, who all knew the equipment rules and had attended an armourer course run by Peter Huggins.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS PROGRAMME

I am pleased that UK Sport has accepted our programme and has agreed to provide £23,000 worth of funding. This will enable British referees, chefs de mission, armourers and international post holders to gain more international experience. I am eager that we have succession planning, so that once the time is right we will have new and strong candidates to propose for the FIE and European Confederation elections. I am the chairman of this programme and look forward to increasing success.

FIE/EFC COACHING COURSES

The FIE has been running coach education courses. I am pleased that Neale Thomas and Matt Haynes attended the epee course and that Phil Shepherd-Foster and Dan Redshaw are attending one on sabre; Dan also attended the European Confederation sabre course. These should all help raise coaching levels and awareness of international developments in coaching.

COMPETITIONS

I was pleased to hear how well the British Youth Championships had gone this year and my thanks to all the many volunteers and to Mark Nelson-Griffiths and Jon Milner for managing the competitions. These were held at the EIS in Sheffield, which is an excellent venue. It is good that the BYCs are now so well run, as I

was the President who advocated consolidating the championships under a British Fencing organiser. Mavis Thornton has done an excellent job for us in the past and I hope she will be able to volunteer again in the future. Her help this year was invaluable. The Public Schools' Championships again attracted about 1400 entries and were held successfully at Crystal Palace. I also attended the Invicta Open as a referee. This event is well organised in a good venue and caters for many fencers who want a good day's fencing. We must never lose sight of the fact that fencing exists for all levels of fencer. I also attended the Camden Leon Paul sabre, which attracted large numbers and was well run. It is important to realise that many young fencers now get their first competitive experience at such events. I was also pleased to run refereeing exams at this competition with seven successful candidates. The British Veterans Championships were again held successfully in Gloucester and British Fencing is very proud of this vibrant movement, which involves so many fencers.

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES AND TRAINING CAMPS

It was our pleasure to host the Ukrainian women's epee team in London for a training camp and to host a match at Roehampton; my thanks to Bob Meshkov for organising this. In October the Lansdowne Club will be hosting another international men's foil team match – this time against Japan and this will also involve a training camp. Scottish Fencing hosted a prestigious match between Scotland and England at men's foil and crucially gained real publicity. Congratulations to Chris Hyde for setting up this exciting event.

AWARDS

Richard Kruse was presented with the medal of the Cutler's Company for his contribution to fencing and outstanding results. The Cutler's Company gives a prize to the British cadet men's foil champion each year and also a financial grant to a London club with youth fencing. We are grateful for their continued support and interest in fencing. Joan Whitehouse has received the Volunteer

of the Year Award from the University of Birmingham for her years of work for fencing at the university, locally and also for running the Birmingham International. Many congratulations to both Joan and Richard.

EPEE CLUB

The Epee Club held its annual dinner at the Oriental Club and is the only weapon club of its kind. On behalf of British Fencing, I would like to thank the President, David Partridge, and the Club for organising the Epee Club Cup each year, for making financial grants to young fencers, such as Jenny McGeever, and above all for having sponsored Jon Willis, who has now been placed on the UK Sport Pathway. This is very encouraging. I should add that all the grants come from members' donations, so this is really an example of fencers supporting other fencers and the next generation of our sport.

FENCING ROADSHOW/ PUBLICITY/ COMMUNICATIONS

Kevin Reilly and Allan Skipp started the Fencing Roadshow over 10 years ago to popularise and promote fencing. This involves a mobile fencing display and taster sessions. I am grateful to Kevin for continuing his activities to promote fencing. I am also pleased that we have recently started getting our international results on the BBC website and my thanks to Piers Martin and David King for this. Charlie Miller at BF HQ has been producing *To The Point*, an electronic newsletter, and Piers has managed the new BFA website. These are all good ways to promote our sport and to help our members. If you have any comments or suggestions about any of these matters do email Piers Martin at BF HQ and copy me in.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

I plan to attend the Five Nations and England Youth Championships, a BF Board meeting, a BF-organised conference on international fencing, the British Championships in Sheffield, the European Championships in Leipzig and the Youth Olympic Games in Singapore as an FIE refereeing delegate. I wish our teams the greatest success at the Senior European

Championships, likewise Amy Radford in the Youth Olympic Games. GB veterans compete at their world championships in September and we wish them every success. The National Academy under Ben Champion and Neil Brown has its summer session in August. This is an exciting and innovative programme and I am pleased with the positive feedback I have received.

I continue to be very busy on behalf of fencing as is the BF Board and our increased professional staff. Now is the time we must make significant progress before the London Olympic Games, as it is likely funding will be very tight afterwards. We have delegated much to our CEO, Piers Martin, as in the modern world we need paid professionals to be working full time for our sport under the directions/strategy agreed by the Board. Clearly the sporting/financial landscape post 2012 could be very different and so

we must make progress now to ensure we have a sport that is sustainable. We should not presume that we will have the finance or the staffing that we currently enjoy.

I remain as ever enthusiastic about fencing and pleased with our progress.

There is much that needs doing and the staff of British Fencing is very busy. We could not survive without the myriad volunteers and should never forget that. Do not hesitate to contact me at any time on keithfence@aol.com. ■

Keith Smith

The BSC London Foil Competition now in its second year will take place on the 11th and 12th of September (Women's Foil on the Saturday and Men on the Sunday).

This is a Cadet and Junior competition for BFA members born between 1991 and 1997 inclusive.

Following the success of our inaugural competition last season, we are moving to the Brunel University Indoor Athletics Centre, Uxbridge, Middx.

This is the first nominated competition of the season for both Cadets and Juniors.

Full details and entry form can be found on the website <http://www.londonfoil.co.uk>

Manchester Cadet International: Saturday, 18th September 2010 Bolton Arena, Arena Approach, Horwich, Bolton BL6 6LB

The Manchester Cadet Tournament is open to all male and female cadet foilists, epeeists and sabreurs.

Note: The foil competitions are part of the new European Cadet Circuit. Entry to these is restricted to 64 from the UK. Entries from those in the top 64 in the GBR Selection Ranking for the the European and World Cadet Teams will be automatic. Those below this ranking will be placed on a waiting list. Please see our website <http://www.manchestercadet.org> for more details. You can also enter online from the site (follow the Entry link).

Eligibility: Born on the 1st January 1994 or later

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Entries To: Natalia Gyuricska, 53 Ramsey Grove, Bury BL8 2RE

Closing Date: 11th September 2010

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Manchester Cadet International 2010 Entry Form

Forename			
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BFA/FIE Licence			
Weapon	Men's	<input type="checkbox"/> Foil	<input type="checkbox"/> Epee
		<input type="checkbox"/> Sabre	
	Women's	<input type="checkbox"/> Foil	<input type="checkbox"/> Epee
		<input type="checkbox"/> Sabre	
Club			
Address			
Town			
Postcode		Country	
Telephone		Email	
Parent or Guardian's Signature			

All entries are accepted on the understanding that the organising committee, officials, referees and the Bolton Arena cannot be held responsible for any accident, loss or damage to persons or property however sustained at the tournament.

Review of British Fencing

I spent my two-year anniversary with British Fencing at the British Youth Championships, a fantastic event thanks to the wealth of volunteers. It seems a good time to review the major changes which have occurred over the last two years. The most fundamental change has been to the governance structure of British Fencing – how the organisation, the Board, committees and staff function and run the sport. Unfortunately, it is impossible to write an exciting article on this subject, so I will settle for informative.

SABMILLER

When I first started, it became obvious that we were coming up short in terms of a clearly defined vision, strategy and set of values, with a large Board who were having to make operational decisions rather than strategic. We were very lucky to have SABMiller as our partner in the British Olympic Association (BOA) FTSE 100 Partnership Programme and so we turned to them for help. This programme seeks to link FTSE 100 companies with Olympic sports to help and advise them on how to become an effective business. This is not a cash sponsorship; rather we receive counsel on subjects such as strategy, finance, marketing and communications, governance and human resources – the fundamental elements of a good organisation.

STRATEGY GROUP

A Strategy Group led by Gail Lumsden (Head of Group Strategy for SABMiller) and Suse Wesley (fencer and strategy consultant) was established with people openly recruited from a range of backgrounds in fencing and we set about developing a strategy for the sport. It became obvious from the start that before we could deliver any strategy, the focus needed to be on getting the organisation fit for purpose and run like a business. The group recommended establishing a clear governance framework, with fundamental changes such as: reducing the number of Board members, developing a skills-based Board with an independent Chair to lead the business, and developing a transparent

organisational structure with lines of accountability and responsibility for staff and volunteer committees.

In February 2009 this work was presented to the Board who, recognising the importance of the step changes required, then set up a Board Governance Working Group. This group met with the original Strategy Group several times throughout the year to refine their recommendations.

UK SPORT AND SPORT ENGLAND AUDIT

In the meantime, we were selected for a routine governance audit by UK Sport and Sport England, who as our principal funders work together to ensure we are supported to achieve our outcomes and that we are fit for purpose to receive public funds. The issues associated with MPs' and BBC executives' expenses, along with the findings of the Dutton Report into the management of public funding in sport (released the same week as our audit report), have meant that there is far more scrutiny of National Governing Bodies and how they use public funding.

The result of the audit was that we were required to take a number of immediate and longer term actions, some of which were outstanding from our last audit in 2005, which focused on the leadership of our organisation, roles, responsibilities and lines of accountability. UK Sport and Sport England made clear that the continuation of any funding was directly linked to us undertaking the actions within the audit report. This report gave us the guidance necessary for the Board to approve many of the original recommendations of the Strategy Group, and in a very short space of time.

We have valued the support of Sport England, UK Sport, SABMiller and other sports (specifically England Hockey who have gone through many major organisational changes to develop a fit-for-purpose business).

THE KEY CHANGES

As an organisation now receiving millions of pounds of public funding, we have an increasing responsibility to

manage this income effectively. The principal recommendations of the Strategy Group and the fundamental recommendations of the audit focussed on a clear leadership, including appointing an independent Chair for British Fencing and setting a clear organisational structure, with lines of authority, responsibility and accountability. The Board sets the strategic direction of the organisation, the Chief Executive manages the delivery of this strategy with staff and volunteer committees and the President continues as our sport's figurehead and representative both domestically and internationally. Board members will also take on portfolio roles, whereby they monitor implementation of a strategic area with the CEO. Information on this will become readily available on the new website where we have established a specific section on governance.

Appointing a Chair of British Fencing will require some amendments to the articles, which will need to be presented to the AGM planned for July. We will look to recruit a strong Chair with business skills, political skills and an understanding of the sporting environment to help us in our journey to become a *World Leading Fencing Family*: creating opportunities to start, stay and succeed in fencing.

SUMMARY

Whilst UK Sport and Sport England are clear that our funding is dependent on taking these actions, the Board has found this process exceedingly beneficial to British Fencing and it has provided us with an opportunity to make major step changes to the governance of our sport. It has helped us to establish clear and transparent structures and processes, which I hope will allow you as members to feel confident in the leadership of your sport as we move to and beyond London 2012.

For further information on any of the above please visit the "Governance" section on www.britishfencing.com or feel free to contact me on piers.martin@britishfencing.com ■

Piers Martin, Chief Executive

Multiple Podium Places for British Fencers

TRIPLE SILVER FOR KRUSE

In a run of outstanding performances that has raised his ranking in men's foil to seventh in the world, Richard Kruse collected silver medals at the masters tournament in Melun, the Seoul World Cup and the St Petersburg Grand Prix.

Melun, the second masters event of its kind, is an invitation-only event featuring eight of the world's top fencers: the Olympic, World, European and Asian champions (respectively Benjamin Kleibrink of Germany, Andrea Baldini of Italy [world & European champion] and Yuki Ota of Japan), the previous year's winner (Peter Joppich of Germany), a Melun-based French fencer (Terence Joubert) and the remainder in accordance with the world ranking – Jun Zhu of China, Erwann Le Pechoux of France and Richard Kruse, next in line after Glonek (POL) withdrew because of a shoulder injury.

The format was two mini poules of four, from which two were promoted to the semi-finals. Ota dominated one poule, with Le Pechoux coming back from 1-4 down against Kleibrink to pick up the second qualifying place. In the other poule Kruse beat Joppich 5-3 and Joubert 5-2, but lost to Baldini after being 4-2 up, while Joubert beat Joppich and Baldini, and Joppich beat Baldini to give those two one victory each, allowing Joubert to gain promotion with Kruse.

Kruse maintained a decisive lead over Le Pechoux in his semi-final to



Richard Kruse in Seoul
(photo: Ziemek Wojciechowski)

win 15-9, while Ota beat Joubert 15-10 in the other. In the final Ota used his speed to establish an 8-1 lead and, although Kruse fought back to narrow the gap to two hits, the Japanese held on to win 15-13. Richard said: "I have got a lot of respect for Ota as he has gone from strength to strength since winning his silver medal at the Beijing Olympics." He added, "Sadly there were no world ranking points available from this competition, but it was a great opportunity to train with some of the best foilists in the world."

Kruse collected another silver medal at the Seoul World Cup where he beat Kim (KOR) 15-11, Panchan (THA) 15-4, Beijing Olympic finalist Choi, (KOR) 15-6 and Park (KOR) 15-8 to reach the final, before losing to Korea's Young Ho Kwon 10-15. "Kwon has phenomenal speed", Richard said afterwards, "but maintains tight control of the distance when attacking and only accelerates at the very end, making him extremely unpredictable."

Laurence Halsted and Ed Jefferies also put in tremendous performances and went out by the narrowest of margins in the L8. Halsted lost on the last hit to Ha (KOR) 14-15, finishing fifth, and Ed Jefferies, making his senior World Cup debut, took Kwon to 13-15 to finish sixth. National foil coach, Ziemek Wojciechowski, summed the event up by saying, "It was a good result for the British foil World Class Pathway squad and for the first time we had three fencers in the top eight at a World Cup event."

Seeded eighth in St Petersburg, Kruse first beat Saliscan (ROU) 15-7 and then was leading comfortably against Gridnev (RUS) 13-4 when the Russian pretended to injure himself so that he could stop the fight and gain composure. "I put my tracksuit on and kept warm by moving around", said Richard. "When he finally wanted to continue, I was ready and scored the next two hits easily to win 15-4." Ichikawa (JPN) was next up and Kruse won easily 15-6 to reach the quarter-finals where he met the world No. 1 Baldini (ITA), a man he had never previously beaten. "Baldini likes to fence at a very tight distance and will punish any mistake you make in preparation", Richard pointed out. "All attacks have to be first intention and premeditated as opposed to 'open eyes', where you start an attack without knowing where you're going to finish." But Kruse hit him with parry-ripostes and close-quarters scraps before the Italian caught up at 13-all. "At this point I flicked a parry-riposte to chest and then made an instinctive sixte flick parry-riposte to shoulder to win 15-13", added Richard.

He was through to the semi-final against Chamley-Watson (USA), a tall and athletic fencer who has improved rapidly in the last year. But noticing that his preparations were fairly big, Kruse hit him with counter-attacks as he went for the shoulder and won 15-10. The final was against Sheng Lei of China, another fencer Kruse had never previously defeated. Tall, left-handed and very patient, he doesn't rush his attacks and can hit from wide angles, favouring attacks to shoulder and flank. "In this fight I did have a good game plan, but sadly not the legs to see the fight through", said Richard. Although the gap was only 11-10 at one point, his fitness did not hold and Lei took his third Grand Prix title of the season, winning 15-10 and in so doing became the world No. 2.

HALSTED WINS GRAND PRIX BRONZE

Laurence Halsted made his first senior World Cup podium by winning bronze in the Tokyo Grand Prix, taking his world ranking to 15. This was his most satisfying tournament to date, as he described:

"I went into the L32 against the world No. 3, Andrea Cassara of Italy, with nothing to lose. I wasn't expected to beat him, but felt relaxed and focussed and knew that I had it in me. Cassara is very strong with ripostes and it's incredibly hard to get attacks through his defence, so my plan was to draw him out and hit him with ripostes or counter-attacks at my end of the piste. This worked well and I was even getting the odd hit on his preparation, so we pretty much exchanged hits all the way up to the business end of the fight. At 13-all I hit him with a remise of a riposte in prime, right on my back line. Then I tried to surprise him with a fast attack-remise from the word go, but he picked up my blade early and riposted easily; 14-all. I just didn't want to leave it in his hands and thought that maybe the last thing he would expect was another attack, since I'd just been hit like that. Again straight away I launched an attack with a few short steps and lunge, but this time changed the line with a cut-over to hit his front shoulder. He went for a quarte parry and I landed squarely on his sixte side to win the fight.

"What made this all the more special was that the fight had been full of aggression from the very beginning, he using all his Italian theatrics for maximum effect and me not backing down from any of it. At one stage he even followed me back to my on-guard line screaming into the back of my mask. So getting the last roar of the match was a true pleasure."

After that confidence boost, Halsted despatched a lower ranked German 15-6 to make the quarter-finals and a meeting with the technically accomplished Radoslav Glonek of Poland, also in the world top 10. Using minimum effort, Halsted picked him off with stop-hits, attacks on preparation and a couple of simple long lunges to win 15-6. He explained, "When things feel good, everything tends to go your way and as I gained a bigger lead he started missing shots that he would never expect to. This was probably as tuned-in to timing and distance as I've ever been in a top level fight and it just felt easy and natural – the kind of fight that can keep giving you confidence long into the future."



Laurence Halsted

Then came a long break until the semi-final against Olympic silver medallist, Yuki Ota of Japan. "His lightning speed and beating parry-ripostes need totally different tactics to most European fencers", said Laurence. "I still felt good but my decision making wasn't quite as spot-on as in the previous rounds. We traded hits until around 8-all and then too many out-of-time counter-attacks gave him a lead which he extended to win 15-9. He was certainly on good form, winning the final easily 15-5, but I feel that I wasn't beaten by much; next time I'll have a better plan."

Ziemek Wojciechowski said afterwards, "Laurence Halsted broke the ice today and reached the podium for the first time in a Grand Prix."

DOUBLE BRONZE FOR NICOLL



Chrystall Nicoll

Two excellent performances by Chrystall Nicoll in May saw her win back-to-back podium places at senior women's sabre World Cup events in Klagenfurt, Austria, and Koblenz, Germany.

In Klagenfurt, Nicoll had a tough first fight against Ciaraglia (ITA) and was 5-8 down at the break before winning 15-13. Against the higher ranked Benko (HUN) she took control from the start, going into the break 8-3 up and winning 15-5. Afterwards she said, "This was my best performance of the day. I felt completely in control throughout the fight and found the right timing from the start."

Her next fight against Klem, a mainstay of the German team for the past 10 years, was a much closer affair with both fencers trading hits to 10-all. Nicoll then changed her tactics slightly and caught Klem with three fast stop-cuts to win 15-11. This took her into the semi-finals where she drew the world No. 7, Irene Vecchi (ITA). The Italian stormed to an 8-2 lead at the break. "She was very fast and aggressive and I let her bully me too much", said Chrystall. "After the break, I started using the line to stop her and tried to force my own choices on her straight away rather than waiting to see what she did.

Both these tactics worked and the score was more even during the second half, but she was fencing very well and beat me 15-8." Vecchi went on to win the competition.

The other notable result for GB in this event came from Jo Hutchison, who beat the world No. 9, Nagy (HUN), 15-11 before losing to Lucchino (ITA) 13-15 in the quarter-finals to finish seventh.

In Koblenz Nicoll discussed tactics with her coach David Sach. In her first fight against Barrata (USA) she made second preparation attacks to avoid getting caught by the American's strong left-handed parries and led all the way to victory at 15-10. Next came Grench (PAN) and Pelei (ROM) against whom Nicoll kept a small lead to win 15-12 in both cases.

In the semi-finals she started well against Bogna Jozwiak (POL) with four hits in succession and went into the break 8-6 up. But the Pole came back with long fast attacks which Nicoll countered with attacks into her preparation, just losing 14-15. "I was very disappointed to have lost this fight as I felt I was fencing well enough to beat anyone there", said Chrystall. Jozwiak went on to win the tournament. Jo Hutchison and Louise Bond-Williams reached the L16. ■

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U15 Girls	11.00	U13 Girls	11.30
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Video Analysis

When I began working in fencing, I was surprised by the lack of sport science and have slowly introduced several key elements with the help of coaches in pro-active clubs. Previous articles published in *The Sword* have looked at goal setting, motivational music and training diaries. This issue introduces video analysis, which has been heavily used in sport since the late 1980s to analyse an opponent's moves and develop fine motor skills.

In elite sports clubs, national organisations and several universities and colleges, many forms of video analysis are used. The most common for individual sports uses the Dartfish software. The first club where I introduced it was Eltham College in London. Head coach Tim O'Connor says, "Video analysis is far more than just a video replay. Our fencers instantly review their performance and compare their technique against others." By using the overlay template, you can film the actions of one fencer and layer the images together to produce a ghost affect, allowing both fencers to be

simultaneously observed. These effects allow even the smallest of mistakes to be observed. Tim goes on to say, "Coaches can analyse the images and quickly correct mistakes that are difficult to notice without this software. Correcting bad habits early on will increase a fencer's performance and reduce the risk of injury".

Dartfish is not just an analytical tool; it also develops communication between fencer and coach. Visual support enables the coach to quickly analyse the video and play it in slow motion, zooming in and out of focus areas. The ability to compare videos side by side or layered develops performance by modelling correct movement. Finally, the files can be shared online, via emails or saved in MediaBooks, which have clear instructions on how to develop performance. The steps I took when implementing video analysis were to show its effectiveness to coaches, then educate fencers in how to use it. The tool allows fencers to take their performance into their own hands and to the next level of their development.

One key issue world class coaches have picked up on at Elizabeth College, Guernsey, is the forward tilt of the trunk during a step lunge, creating knee and thus heel lift before toe lift into the lunge. Furthermore, video analysis also showed that almost 90% of all fencers who lunge, over lunge, creating slow recoveries, with 22% of those fencers suffering from knee injuries.

If you have any enquiries with regard to the previous articles published in *The Sword*, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will do my best to answer any questions. ■

Jon Rhodes

Note: The software can be installed on any Windows operating system and is relatively cheap. Among the three colleges, two universities and one GB sporting organisation I approached who had Dartfish, only one had actually used the program and two others still had the software in its packaging!

Video analysis in action



THE FENCING ROAD SHOW

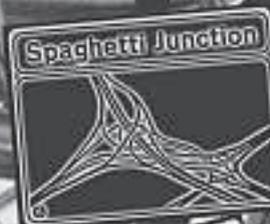
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Roadshow's 10th Anniversary

It all began when I helped Allan Skipp present fencing at the Millennium Games. Since then, the Roadshow has attended many shows and given thousands of people the chance to have a go at fencing. The Roadshow is staffed by a group of coaches who volunteer their support. We are pleased that the London Borough of Greenwich utilises the team, alongside Blackheath Fencing Club, to showcase the forthcoming Olympics at their sports events.

Here are some highlights from the ten years:

Wellington School are probably blissfully unaware that when they were setting up their club, it was an infant Roadshow that helped them attract their first members.

The longest engagement has been with Hampshire Sports Development for whom we have presented at the County Games since its inception.

The largest audience was at a multicultural festival in Bow, when a group of Indian swordfighters took part, and the largest participation is also at this event each year.

The busiest period is the hour immediately following the Junior Great South Run. The wettest was the Great South Run last year.

One year, we were locked inside the Science Museum and wandered around the halls trying to find a back door. Apparently, the security staff watched our efforts on CCTV and were well entertained.

Several famous faces have graced our piste, notably Prince Phillip, Sally Gunnell, Sol Campbell, Linford Christy and Gordon Brown, to name but a few. The nicest celebrity guest was Cherie Blair, who fenced several children from the audience.

The Roadshow has been featured on TV and Radio and has appeared in five national magazines and several local newspapers.

The loudest show was when we were placed opposite the stage of Sham 69, a well known Punk Rock band from the 70s, at St Barnabas Fair in London.

The funniest reciprocal invite has been the opportunity to walk a herd of llamas for doing a village fete in Hampshire. We haven't taken up this offer yet.

We have been invited to showcase in Amsterdam and Philadelphia, but the logistics were against us; too much kit!

Leon Paul Equipment has sponsored the Roadshow for the longest and are always very generous in replacing kit. Portsmouth Football Club are the most surprising supporter, as they accommodate the trailers.

On average we have two people trying fencing every five minutes. They have a short lesson to lunge and parry/riposte and then fence to three hits, before finishing off with 10 seconds of foam sabre. We have three coaches rotating during the event.

The Roadshow is managed under the John Pounds Community Trust. British Fencing cover the insurance through their club scheme as we are affiliated to Academie d'Escrime. All equipment surpasses the National kite mark at FIE standard.

The show has two types of accommodation. It is usually housed in its own 9m x 3m tent, but occasionally for smaller shows, from the front of a Classic VW Camper. Both display a collection of historic swords. ■

Kevin Reilly



The roadshow Campervan and trailer



A taster session



Two disabled children try fencing

ALDO NADI – His method for success in competition

Aldo Nadi has been widely acknowledged as the most successful competitive swordsman of the 20th century. He was, in his maturity, without rival in all three arms, foil, epee and sabre, and was almost undefeated for 12 consecutive years until his retirement in 1935 and emigration to the United States, where he devoted himself exclusively to teaching for the rest of his life. In a document entitled *My Fencing Record*, Nadi wrote:

“I have won about sixty Italian and international contests. Born in Leghorn, Italy, in 1899, and a pupil of my father, Beppe Nadi, I was presented in public at the age of five: my master gave me a lesson. At the age of eleven I won my first tournament at Milan, the Junior Championship of Italy in foil and sabre, open to young people under eighteen years of age. The runners-up in both weapons were, in fact, eighteen.”

By the 1920s Aldo moved rapidly from being one of the strongest amateur swordsmen in Europe to the unbeatable professional champion, who mercilessly crushed every opponent who dared to fence him. He treated every hit against him as a personal insult. Indeed, at a time when the two major fencing powers in Europe were Italy and France, Nadi defeated 14 French champions, among them Lucien Gaudin (1920, foil, 3-1), Philippe Cattiau (1922, foil, 10-4), René Haussy (1925, foil, 14-9), Georges Buchard (1926, epee, 12-5) and Roger Ducret (1926, epee, 12-5). These men represented the cream of international swordsmen during the so-called golden age of fencing. And in Italy Aldo also dominated all rivals, with the exception of his gifted older brother Nedo, who prudently avoided a confrontation on

the piste, and so Aldo reigned as professional champion of Italy in all three weapons from 1924 to 1927, without suffering a single defeat. Not until 1935 did Nedo consent to fence publicly with Aldo and then only in a demonstration match.

There are fencers today who would question the efficiency of Aldo Nadi and his contemporaries, saying that the sport has changed a great deal since those days and that his kind of static swordplay and elegant posturing would not survive the rigours of modern competitive fencing. But these people, never having seen such fencers as the Nadi brothers and Lucien Gaudin in action, have not the slightest idea how dynamic, powerful and fast those men were.

I watched Maestro Nadi in action weekly, when I was his pupil, and have also, in the decades that followed, seen the majority of top Olympic fencers, and I can assure the reader that there is a vast difference between Nadi and our present-day champions. His swordplay was tightly controlled and precise to an extraordinary degree, his body placement classical, exposing virtually no target area, his footwork smooth and effortless, and his speed absolutely dazzling. Indeed, I believe that the strongest swordsmen throughout history would probably have been effective in any time period. Some of the film clips from the 1920s and 1930s that have recently been discovered support my view.

So what was the key to Aldo Nadi's phenomenal success? The answer is great precision in the execution of actions, combined with a highly developed tactical sense. His older brother Nedo, according to Aldo, functioned like a flawless fencing

machine, predictable yet difficult to counter because of his mechanical skill and great speed. Aldo, on the other hand, according to his contemporaries, was completely unpredictable.



Aldo Nadi in his prime

In *The Living Sword*, Nadi wrote:

"My style was anything but fixed. Above all, I tried to rely to the maximum upon exploitation of all my opponent's mistakes — a fundamental line of thought never abandoned since. Indirectly, this led me to evolve a continuously changing pattern of combat, the various forms and expressions of which appeared to my adversaries as so many different methods."

But Aldo's system of instruction provided clues for, like his illustrious father and master, his pedagogical method was based entirely on a classical foundation. Emphasis was placed on precision and on economy of motion, with every action followed logically by its counteraction. In this way, the lesson mirrored combat and automatically trained the student to think in terms of complete fencing phrases. The lesson moved progressively from simple to complex actions, including triple feints and compound parries and ripostes. Yet the Maestro always underscored the importance of using simple actions in combat and employing complex actions in the lesson to develop dexterity and finesse.

Actions and their counters were fixed in the pupil's mind through daily practice, so that he learned to anticipate what might follow, whether it was an action he initiated, or a movement that was initiated by his adversary. The ideal moment to strike, Nadi remarked, was when fencing measure was correct and the opponent lifted his leading foot off the ground to step forward, and for a moment was off balance and vulnerable. And the Maestro was entirely practical, so while in actual practice fencers engaged in in-fighting, traditional fencing masters of the older generation, both in Italy and France, refused to address this aspect of combat, declaring that fencing in close was the result of misjudging fencing measure and therefore poor swordsmanship.

In contrast, Aldo taught his pupils to remain close to the adversary who closed distance, keeping blades in contact, squatting low and keeping the sword arm flexed and inside the leading thigh, blade pointing upward ready to strike the instant the blades were freed. With the opponent

generally in a standing position, as he stepped back breaking blade contact, he exposed target area and was relatively easy to hit with a cut-over.

Actions that proved especially successful for Aldo Nadi during his long competitive career were routinely taught to his students, for example, the cut-over under, that is, to the outside low line¹. This was the widest blade movement Nadi taught in foil. As the blade swept in a counter-clockwise circle from high to low line, the adversary lost sight of it and was apt to feel panic and lose composure. The action was first executed from the master's engagement in quarte and immobility, and repeated until the pupil performed it rapidly with perfect control, lunging only when the point of the weapon was directed with accuracy to the flank, sword arm fully extended and motionless. Aldo would say, "lunge late".

The counter-clockwise circular movement of the blade was accomplished by a rotation of the wrist from quarte to sixte (one quarter of a counter-clockwise turn), so that the blade, fixed on the target, curved horizontally under the opponent's elbow. Next, the cut-over under was executed in time, in other words, as the teacher attempted to engage the student's blade in quarte. And then the pupil was taught to use the cut-over under as a feint succeeded by a tight clockwise disengagement to the chest above.

The feint was coordinated with an advance, so that the leading foot did not move until the point was aimed at the target and the arm completely straight. In this case the hand remained in quarte for the feint. If the feint was deep enough and convincing, the adversary would rush to protect his outside low line with a parry of octave, thus exposing his high line to the clockwise disengagement above with lunge. And finally, the disengagement above could also serve as a feint to draw a simple parry of quarte or sixte immediately succeeding the parry of octave, with the parry of quarte eluded by a clockwise

disengagement to the outside high line or the parry of sixte by a counter-clockwise disengagement to the inside high line.

Placement of the feint determined which of these two parries the opponent was likely to employ. If the pupil wanted to draw quarte, he would direct his feint further inside, or sixte, further outside. And the Maestro advised his student always to fence "a little too close", so that the adversary felt pressure from the threatening point, and was driven to act impulsively.

Should the attack by cut-over under, either in one blade motion or as a compound action with a feint, be parried by the opponent in retreat, and the riposte be delayed by a slight hesitation, Nadi trained his fencers to execute immediately, with utmost speed, a renewed attack by disengagement, one-two or counter-disengagement, with recovery forward and second lunge. This was used by Aldo after any attack with lunge that was parried in retreat and the riposte retarded. French fencers of the past had a penchant for using delayed ripostes, which are not part of the Italian repertoire of actions. In fact, masters of the Italian school have from earliest times been insistent on following the parry immediately with a riposte, preferably along the blade, which they said should strike "like a bolt of lightning".

Nadi's lessons always provided a parry response to each of the attacks. In opposition to the cut-over to the inside and outside high lines, he devised a parry that served as a barrier to the incoming blade as it dropped down into line, and he designated this the parry of quinte, which resembled the sabre parry, but with the hand in supination as in a high sixte (Fig. 1).

In executing the parry and riposte, the Maestro advised his students to sink with the parry, "disappear into the floor" and lean into the riposte. Indeed, he wanted as little break in time as possible between the parry and the riposte, so that the two flowed almost seamlessly into one another. And he recommended parry combinations that included both simple and circular parries, such as quarte counter of quarte, sixte counter of sixte and double counter

¹ A. Nadi, *On Fencing*, 1996, p.128; W. Gaugler, *The Science of Fencing*, 2004, p.91.

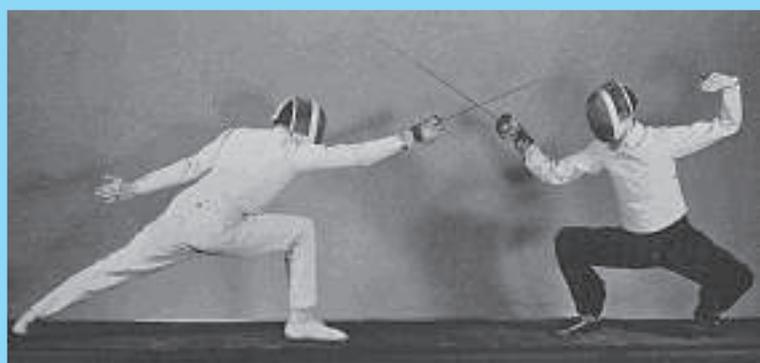


Fig.1

of quarte and sixte. Moreover, he was especially fond of parry combinations that covered both high and low lines, like counter of sixte, octave and quarte. He called these combinations a "shield of steel". The instant the opposing blade began penetrating in an attack, a parry combination was set in motion and continued until the intruding steel was found and deviated from its line of entry.

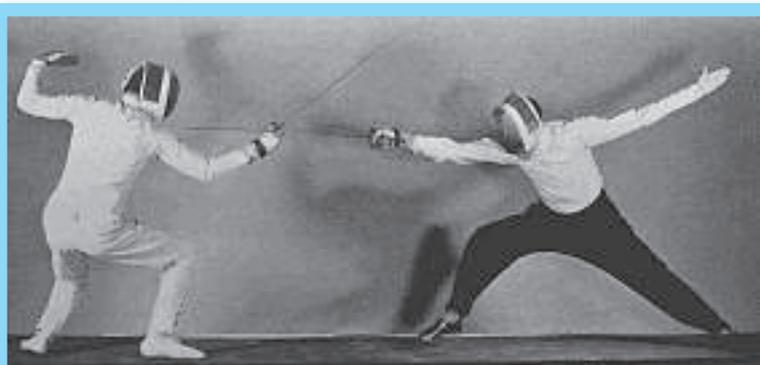


Fig.2

Among actions on the blade, Aldo taught the bind from quarte to octave, hand in quarte palm up, succeeded by a thrust along the blade to the flank, and the beat direct in quarte and sixte (Fig. 2) followed by a straight thrust. He built on both of these actions by adding logical variations. For instance, in the bind from quarte to octave, the pupil, on sensing a counter-pressure, would be instructed to break blade contact and direct his thrust to the high line. The same action could then serve as a feint to draw a simple parry of quarte or sixte, depending on

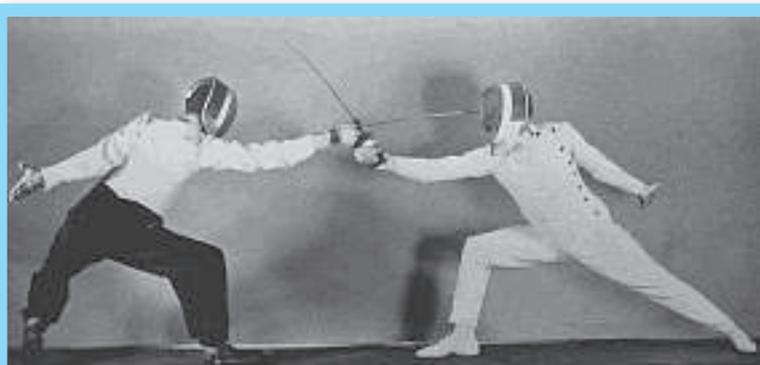


Fig.3

placement of the feint, as in the cut-over under exercise mentioned above. And the parries could, again, be eluded with disengagements.

The beat direct in quarte or sixte could also be followed by a feint direct, drawing either a simple or a circular parry, which in turn could be eluded by a disengagement or counter-disengagement. Both Nedo and Aldo Nadi had a predilection for the beat direct in quarte and straight thrust with a jump lunge or balestra. As taught by Aldo, it was a short jump forward on the balls of the feet, with the legs flexed, body in perfect guard position, and with the floor serving as a springboard for the explosive lunge that followed. Beat and jump were coordinated so that the sound of these movements, blade and foot, were simultaneous.

Nadi's time thrust to the outside high line was taught with a nervous lateral twitch to encourage the opponent to perform a one-two (Fig. 3). Having observed the adversary's propensity for using a one-two, the arm is extended with the point of the weapon close to the opposing steel. A light pressure in sixte is applied to the opponent's blade, thus triggering a feint by disengagement to the inside high line. Then the smallest movement or twitch inward is made, so that the adversary believes that his feint has drawn a parry of quarte. As he disengages to the outside high line, the point is dropped in line, arm rapidly straightened and the line closed with the time thrust to the outside, so that the incoming blade is deflected through strong opposition, and the adversary impaled. The time thrust is executed with an advance and with the body lowered and inclined forward.

Like many Italian fencers of the past, Aldo Nadi advanced on his opponent with his sword arm fully extended, blade in line and point menacing the target area. The aim, of course, was to drive the adversary to the end of the piste, forcing him in desperation to react carelessly and in haste, thus falling back on his favourite actions, which had already been determined by previous observation and were therefore predictable. The step forward was to be short, with the feet gliding across the floor surface and the body maintained in its lowered guard position and well profiled. This tactical approach drove the opponent to perform an action on the blade, such as a beat, which could be anticipated and opposed with the disengagement in time. More sophisticated swordsmen, who used the beat as bait to draw the disengagement in time, could be countered with a parry and riposte or counter-attack in counter-time; the feint in time was kept in reserve, ready for use if necessary.

So, fencing with both Aldo and Nedo Nadi resulted in being driven back constantly, as they moved cautiously and methodically forward, in mesmerising fashion, with the point in line, sometimes executing tiny rapid disengagements alternated occasionally with a sudden deep feint to menace an exposed target area and serve as distraction from the real line of attack. But in the end there was no escaping the inevitable hit! The only question was: when will it arrive and where? ■

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The Sword –

A weapon by any other name

This article is intended as a complement to *Fencing – A Sport By Any Other Name*, which appeared in *The Sword* of July 2009. The author was encouraged to produce this sequel by two readers of the original article and, given the title of the magazine of British Fencing, it seemed a good idea.

Sword, unlike *fencing*, is a broader concept and the first step was to set a working boundary to the task. In this case it was decided to focus on the generic word *sword* and to ignore the many variants, such as rapier and cutlass. Exceptions have been made to this rule where a language has interesting connections to more than one word for *sword*. Within this boundary it is hardly surprising that some of the paths identified closely resemble those in the previous article, but *sword* has some surprises of its own.

The first grouping looked at is the one containing the word *sword* itself. English is just one of a collection of Germanic and Norse languages that have similar words for this weapon, and the Oxford English Dictionary traces it back through the Old English *sweord*, the Old Frisian *swerd*, the Middle Low German *swer*, Middle Dutch *swaert*, Middle High German and Old High German *swer*, the Old Norse *sver* to the Old Teutonic *swerdom*. Table 1 lists modern languages that have this common ancestry.

Language	Word	Language	Word
Danish	sværd	Icelandic	sverð
Dutch	zwaard	Norwegian	sverd
English	sword	Swedish	svärd
Faroese	svørð	West Frisian	swurd
German	schwert		

Table 1. Words derived from Germanic and Norse origins

Every fencer knows that the French word for *sword* is *épée* and this can be the starting point for a look at the similar words in other Romance languages. This word and its kin have evolved from the Latin word *spatha* used for the long slashing sword usually associated with the auxiliary cavalry. This may not appear obvious but the clue lies in the accent on the first “e” of *épée* which represents a long lost letter “s”. This missing “s” also occurs in other familiar French words with commonly used English equivalents, such as *école* and *état* and is present in the earlier French word for sword, *espée*. The other obvious Western group of Romance languages: Catalan, Galician, Italian, Portuguese, Romanian and Spanish have never lost this “s”.

But the story goes back further because *spatha* is itself derived from the Ancient Greek word *σπάθη*, meaning wooden blade, paddle or sword. This has given rise to the Modern Greek *σπαθί*, which is not the common word for sword in that language. It also shows up clearly in some Eastern European languages, such as Albanian, and it is there, concealed behind the Cyrillic alphabet in one of the Russian words for *sword*, “шпага” (*shpaga* in the script form), which is roughly pronounced as *shpaga*. These Eastern variants are not always the commonest words for *sword* in their respective languages and the more frequent forms will be examined a little further on. In the cases of Lithuanian and Polish, it is difficult to decide whether the major influence in adopting such words came from the east or the west. The other Lithuanian word for sword definitely came from the east but in Poland the commoner word came from the west. These words are explored in their appropriate sections.

Even English has one sword with this derivation: the *spadroon*. This was a sword of the late 18th/early 19th century with a straight cut-and-thrust blade of the backword form, Fig. 1. And on a non-fencing note, a more familiar English word from the same root is *spade*, both the digging variety and the suit of cards!

Another group of words is associated with the *gladius*, the short, thrusting sword used by the Roman legionary. The earliest form of this sword was the *gladius hispaniensis*, Fig. 2, which was adopted by the Romans during the conquest of the Iberian Peninsula. It later evolved into the shorter, broader versions usually illustrated in books about the Roman army. So, with this background, perhaps it should not be too much of a surprise that this diffusion of words within the Indo-European group of languages includes the Welsh *clddyf* and its Celtic relations.

Table 2 lists the derivatives of the Greek *σπάθη* and Latin *spatha*.

Language	Word	Language	Word
Albanian	spathë	Italian	spada
Basque	ezpata	Lithuanian	špaga
Bulgarian	пага	Polish	szpaga
Catalan	espasa	Portuguese	espada
English	spadroon	Romanian	spadă
French	épée	Russian	шпага
Galician	espada	Spanish	espada
Greek	σπαθί	Ukrainian	шпага

Table 2. Derivatives from the Greek *σπάθη* or Latin *spatha*



Fig. 1. A spadroon; this example is the sword adopted for infantry officers in 1796

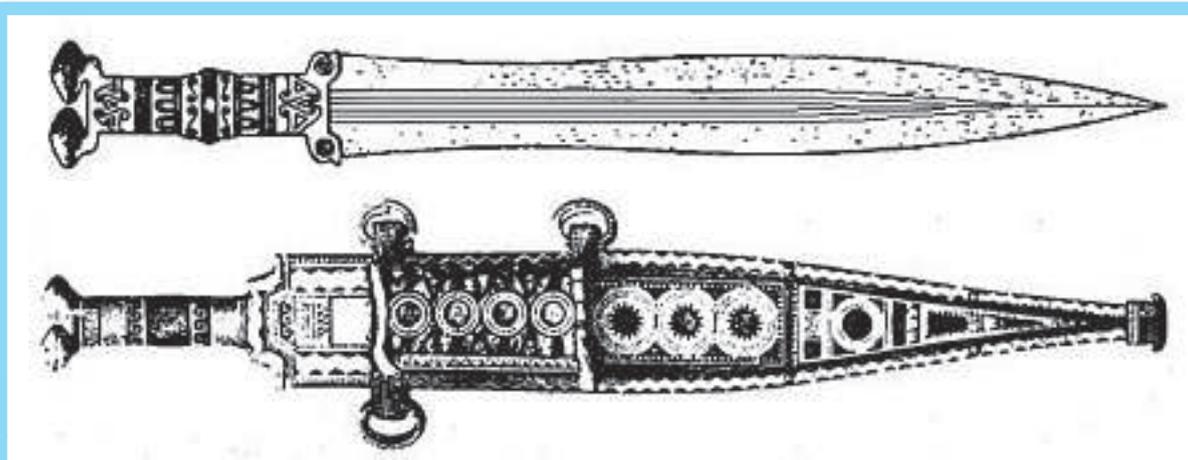


Fig. 2. The gladius hispaniensis

The French word *glaiive* has directly evolved from *gladius*. Nowadays this is most commonly understood as a staff weapon with a long single-edged sword-like blade mounted as its head, Fig. 3. However it was earlier used in French as a word for "sword".

Gládio is an unusual Portuguese word for sword but is the least transformed of all the members of the *gladius* group.

Moving through Europe to the East, we encounter a whole group of words related to the Russian меч (*mech* in the

script form), which is roughly pronounced m'yetch. These are listed in Table 4. This is another grouping with Germanic origins. The Old Saxon *māki* and Old Norse *mækir* are two examples and there is a related Old English word, *mece*, a poetic word for *sword*.

Language	Word	Language	Word
Breton	kleze	Portuguese	gládio
Cornish	cledhe	Gaelic	claideamh
French	glaiive	Welsh	cleddyf
Irish	claiómh		

Table 3. The gladius grouping

Language	Word	Language	Word
Belarusian	меч	Macedonian	меч
Bosnian	mač	Polish	miecz
Bulgarian	меч	Russian	меч
Croatian	mač	Serbian	мач/mač
Czech	meč	Slovak	meč
Estonian	mõök	Slovenian	meč
Finnish	miekka	Sorbian (Lower/Upper)	mjac/mječ
Kashubian	miecz	Ukrainian	меч

Table 4. Relatives of the Russian меч



Fig. 3. Glaive, Italian ca 1600. Earlier glaives lacked the spikes on the back edge

As if that were not complicated enough, some countries, such as Hungary, where there is considerable Middle Eastern influence on the weapons, derive their words for sword from the languages of that area. In the case of Hungarian, the word for sword, *kard*, is the same as the Middle Persian *کارد* (*kard*), meaning knife, from which it is derived, Table 5. Some other Eastern European countries have similar words, but also use a version of *меч* as well. An example of that is Polish with its words *kord* and *miecz*. Staying with the Middle Eastern influence but moving from Persian to Arabic, we encounter the Maltese word *sejf* which comes directly from the Arabic, as Maltese is an Arabic language. *Xabla*, the other Maltese word for a *sword*, is merely a version of the familiar *sabre*.

Language	Word	Language	Word
Hungarian	kard	Polish	kord
Lithuanian	kardas	Slovak	kord
Maltese	sejf		

Table 5. Words related to the Middle Persian *کارد* (*kard*) and the Arabic *سيف* (*saif*)

As always, there are some words that do not yield their origins easily and among those are the Greek *ξίφος*, the Latvian *zobens* and the Turkish *kılıç* (or *kilij*). An early attempt was made to derive the first word from the Egyptian *sft* and Coptic *sēfe*, but few modern scholars are

convinced by the arguments in its favour. The second may be related to the Slovene *zób*, a tooth which in turn derives from the Proto-Slavonic *zǫbъ.

The author has been unable to trace even an unconvincing origin for the Turkish word. Although *kılıç* (*kilij*) is the generic Turkish word for sword, in the West it is used to describe a specific type of sword that in Turkish is called the *pala*. Can a reader help to unravel this small mystery?

SOURCES

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John McGrath

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Pre-Electric Epee Judging

When I first began fencing in 1947, club epeeists were unmistakable. Their gloves and jacket sleeves were in tatters. Why? Electric epees were introduced in the 1930s, but most clubs could not afford the expensive electric equipment.

So epeeists had their bouts judged visually. Each epee had a triple point attached to the tip of the blade, the so-called *pointe d'arrêt*. This point was attached by waxed thread and only fencing masters seemed to have the skill to affect that union. Various patterns of *pointe d'arrêt* were tested, as shown in *Fencing Comprehensive* by Felix Gravé, 1934 (Fig. 1), until the Sazie design was universally adopted.

Visual judging was very difficult, as the referee had to decide the timing of double hits. Often it was assumed that, if both hits arrived on the same part of the body, say, the arm or the torso, they were simultaneous. But if one landed on the arm and the other on the torso, then the arm hit was considered to have arrived first. There is an

apocryphal anecdote of a referee and two judges abstaining on whether a hit had arrived. The defending epeeist removed his glove and rolled up his sleeve to reveal blood. Real duelling!

Epee was my third weapon, so I never fenced using the *pointe d'arrêt*, but I know people who have done so. [*When I started fencing in 1959 at Taunton Fencing Club, the sword arm sleeve of my first jacket was torn to shreds by triple points – ed.*]

The specification for the length of these points can be found in *The Theory and Practice of Fencing* by J M Castello, 1933. Total length had to be less than 5 mm and the effective length of uncovered points less than 2 mm.

It is curious to recall historically that lances in the days of medieval tournaments were also foiled with a safety device – the gafflet. ■

Derek Evered



Fig. 1

OBITUARIES

JOHN FETHERS 1919-2010

John Erle Fethers, who has died at the age of 80, was a fencer of impeccable technique. He started fencing at the age of 17 in Melbourne, Victoria, and 4 years later won the Australian national championship at all three weapons. He represented Australia at the 1952 Helsinki Olympics, but missed out on his home-town Olympics in 1956, as he was in Europe and could not afford to pay for his passage home.

He went to two Commonwealth Games, 1950 and 1954, both times coming second in the foil event to René Paul. After the Vancouver Games of 1954, he moved to England and promptly won the British foil championship ahead of Raymond and René Paul. He also came third in the international Coronation Cup and was runner-up the following year after two barrages with the Paul brothers. That year, 1955, he made the final of the first electric foil world championship, coming 8th.



John Fethers

Fethers then moved to Paris and trained under Roger Crosnier at the Cercle Hoche, going on to qualify as a *maitre d'armes* in 1959, following which he was appointed Scottish national coach. In 1961 he was awarded the Challenge Duval Cup, having beaten Roger Closset of France in a barrage after they had tied on points for the best performance at this international French foil tournament over a 5-year period; this became his proudest accomplishment.

From 1960 to 1964 he won five consecutive Inverclyde foil titles and in 1961 and 1963 made a clean sweep of foil, epee and sabre. In 1965 he won the British professional championship at all three weapons. During his time in Britain he was much liked and admired for his temperament and technique.

John Fethers returned to Australia as national coach in 1966 and travelled around the country training coaches as well as individual fencers for 3 years. He then settled back in Victoria and coached in clubs, as well as appearing in a number of short films and choreographing duels for stage, screen and television.

He is survived by his nephews and niece, Campbell, Bruce and Rosemary Fethers, two grand-nephews and four grand-nieces. ■

Richard Emmerick and Malcolm Fare

JEFFERY ELMES 1930-2010

Jeff Elmes started fencing in the early 1960s, but his job as a mechanic on the motor racing circuit meant that he was often away for long periods and so was unable to fence regularly. In the early 1970s, having settled down in Brighton, he was started fencing again at Brighton & Hove Fencing Club. Initially he fenced foil, but was persuaded to try sabre, which he enjoyed.

Around 1980 he formed the Southwick Sabre Club and began studying for a coaching qualification from the British Academy of Fencing. The club continued until September 2009, including a period when he coached from a chair after a hip replacement. His commitment to fencing, and his anecdotes about his motor racing days, will be sorely missed by his family, friends and pupils. ■

C E Walker

Round-Up

BIRMINGHAM INTERNATIONAL

Photos by Ian Bullock

Nearly 600 fencers entered this Easter-time event which reverted back to its usual venue in the Munrow Sport Centre of the University of Birmingham, with all pistes having conductive strips and highly visible lights with remote controls. The event went through to gala finals on the Saturday in the presence of the Lord Mayor of Birmingham, Cllr Michael Wilkes. To recognise the overseas visitors, the City sponsored a small reception to follow the prize-giving. We saw the welcome return of the fencers from University of Eastern Piedmont, Italy, particularly a strong contingent of women epeeists.

In a high quality men's sabre final that could have gone either way, Gildas Braine, Scimitar, fought hit for hit with Stuart Marshall, Rivington Park, before finally winning 15-13. Women's foil was a totally different tempo. Martina Emmanuel, unattached, gradually pulled ahead, but Anna Bentley, Salle Boston, brought it back to clinch the match on the last hit 15-14. The first half of the men's foil final was a very dynamic fight with some beautifully executed exchanges from end to end of the piste before Ben Peggs, Salle Paul, pulled away to beat Jason Scourfield, Bristol, 15-9.

On Sunday the strength of the men's epee really showed with the progression of finalists through a field of 139 competitors. The final brought the 2008 winner, Marek Sebasta of the Czech Republic, to face James Thornton, Haverstock. James worked hard, but Marek countered everything he put to him to win 15-9. In a high quality women's epee field it was to be expected that the top three Italians from the University of Eastern Piedmont



Ben Peggs of Salle Paul attacks Jason Scourfield of Bristol in the men's foil final

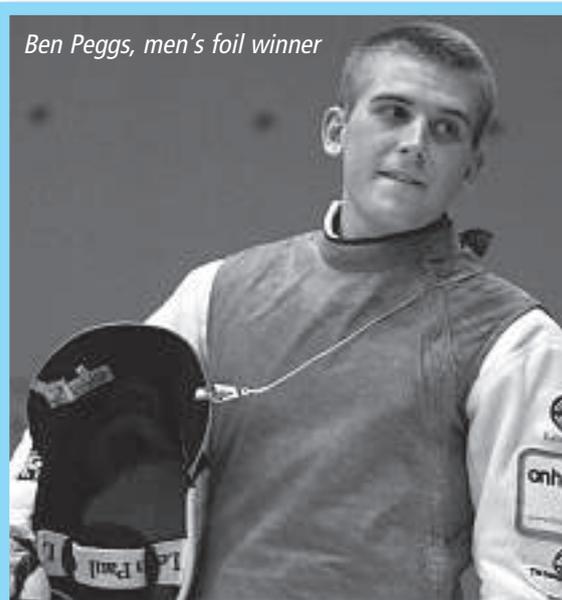
would fight off for the medal places. Sara Carpegna, who had won the previous year, was runner-up to Lucrezia Elvo, whose immaculate and elegant style made her a worthy winner. New Zealander Jessica Beer of LTFC managed to keep the fourth Italian out of the frame by making it to equal third.

Women's sabre had a smaller than usual entry and seemed dogged by personal equipment problems for much of the latter fights. In the end, amid much testing and retesting, Alice Watson, CADS, beat Katherine Kempe, Brentwood, 15-6. Veteran Jane Hutchinson, Bath Sword, won bronze along with Tina Hobday, NLSC.

Joan Whitehouse



Marek Sebasta of the Czech Republic scores against James Thornton of Haverstock in the men's epee final



Ben Peggs, men's foil winner

MERSEYSIDE OPEN

Report and photos by Gary Longthorn

This year's Merseyside Open had 18 nationalities represented and a group of more than 30 Irish competitors taking part. In men's foil Thomas Fletcher completed his pool of six without conceding a hit, but of the 14 undefeated in the first round only Jonathan Weekes managed to advance as far as the semi-finals where he defeated Ingvar Kraatz 15-8 to set up a final with Steven Glaister. The final was unexpectedly one-sided as Glaister, fencing in only his second competition after four years away from the sport, took control from the start and scored the first seven hits. Weekes managed to record a consolation hit but Glaister resumed with a series of beautifully timed step lunges that his opponent could not handle and took the title by a score of 15-1.



*Chris Farren,
men's sabre winner*

*Steven Glaister,
men's foil winner*



Steven Glaister scores against Jonathan Weekes in the men's foil final

The main talking point ahead of the men's sabre event was whether Chris Farren, with ten Merseyside titles already under his belt, the last nine in succession, could claim an all-time record with an eleventh victory. Despite a rare defeat in the pools to Henry Wang, he duly reached the semi-finals where he defeated Pavels Guzanovs 15-8. In the other semi Michael Berry faced Keith Bowers, who had been taken to double figures in every round of the DE. Bowers came out on top in a tight contest, seizing the decisive hit to clinch a 15-14 victory. A surprise looked possible in the final as Bowers took the first three hits, but Farren bounced back with the next five and reached the break 8-5 ahead. From then on, Farren controlled the fight, always ahead and completing the victory by a 15-8 margin.

Women's sabre largely followed the expected path as the top four seeds all reached the semi-finals. In the top half of the draw, Ellie Collier took an early lead against Tina Hobday and reached the break 8-3 ahead. She continued to extend her lead, scoring well with attacks and counter-attacks to the flank and ran out a 15-7 winner. In the other half, a fine contest between Philippa Harris and Stephanie Land saw Harris 8-3 ahead at the break and go on to lead 12-8 before Land fought back to equalise. Again Harris took the lead to go 14-12 up, but Land took the last three hits to complete a 15-14 victory. Land started strongly in

the final and led 6-4, but Collier fought back and reached the break 8-6 ahead. Although Land kept pressing, Collier held on and a crucial call at 13-11 gave her a three-hit margin that she never lost, completing the win by 15-12.

The women's foil champions for the last five years, Lydia Johnson and Carolyn Benson, were among the favourites again this year. But with Anna Smith taking the number 1 seeding, Johnson and Benson had to meet in the semi-finals where Johnson never conceded the lead to win 15-10. In the other semi-final, Smith met Charmaine Khan and swept to a 15-5 win. The final was effectively won in the first three minutes as Johnson conceded the first hit to Smith but then took the next six in succession. She reached the first break 7-3 ahead and led 14-8 at the second. Seconds later it was all over as she completed a 15-8 victory to clinch her fourth title.

Men's epee event was particularly competitive with only three out of 96 competitors not losing a fight in the pools. The unexpected seedings that resulted meant that both last year's finalists, Jon Willis and James Harris, and one of the top-ranked competitors, David Gregory, were in the same quarter of the draw. It was Harris who emerged from this section, first putting out Gregory in the L16 by

*Lydia Johnson,
women's foil winner*

*Ellie Collier, women's
sabre winner*





*James Harris,
men's epee winner*

*Louise Highton,
women's epee winner*

10-9 in overtime after equalising with just 14 seconds left, and then Willis 15-12 in the L8. The top five seeds were all eliminated before the semi-finals, which saw Aaron Gardner take on Harris, while James Harrington faced Octavian Wang.

In the first semi-final, Harris was 9-6 ahead after 3 minutes and went on to win 15-11. In the other half, Wang, who was relying heavily on ripostes and counter-ripostes, traded hits with Harrington to 13-all before scoring the last two hits to reach the final. This started disastrously for Wang as he conceded the first four hits, but he fought back well and led 9-7 at the first break. From the resumption, however, it was one-way traffic as he only managed one more single hit, Harris equalising at 9-all and going on to claim the title with a 15-12 victory.

Women's epee event was quite predictable by comparison, with the top fencers all making it through to the later stages, but there were still some surprises in store. Defending champion Megan Lomas went out in the L8 to Lindsay Bottoms 10-9, the winning hit coming with just two seconds left on the clock. Bottoms went no further, however, coming up against an in-form Louise Highton in the semi-finals and going down 15-11. In the other semi, Jade Clark eased out Emily Jeanes 15-10.

The final was a tactical contest that had just enough blade contact to prevent a passivity call. Clark advanced without really appearing aggressive while she waited for the few chances that would appear. The first hit, a double, did not come until 2m 5s into the fight and it was not until 8 seconds from the end of the first period that Highton scored the first single hit to take a 2-1 lead into the break. Only two double hits were scored in the second period but then in the final session Highton extended her lead and it was not until 69 seconds to go that Clark scored her first, and only, single light. Her progress ended there however as Highton held on under pressure and scored a couple of late hits to come out an 11-6 winner and join her sister Elizabeth as a Merseyside champion.

Two special presentations were made during the weekend: the Arthur and Beryl Banks Fair Play Cup for Saturday's events, awarded in memory of the long-time chairman and secretary of the tournament, was presented to Chris Farren; and the BFA Diamond Jubilee Fair Play Cup for Sunday's events was awarded to Charmaine Khan.

WINTON CUP

Wales won this year's Winton Cup with West Midlands runner-up for the second year running and Southern third on indicators. The poule-unique format of the competition made for an exciting finish, the final places only being confirmed during the last round of the weekend.

A slightly reduced entry did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm for this much loved tournament, as top-10 ranked fencers were on show in all six weapons. Weapon prizes were as follows: men's foil – West Midlands, women's foil – Wales, men's epee – West Midlands, Women's epee – North West, men's sabre – Southern, women's sabre – North East.

The make up of the teams was a blend of experienced international fencers and some of the best up-and-coming cadets and juniors from each region. Although there were no official prizes for the top fencers in each weapon, particular mention should be made of Carolyn Benson (Wales), who won all 21 of her fights in women's foil; James Harris (West Midlands), who won 20 out of 21 at men's epee; Jennie Tillott (Wales) and Nikki Barlow (Southern), who each won 19 out of 21 in women's sabre and women's foil respectively, and 13-year-old Jess Lewis, who fenced in the winning women's sabre team for North East, beating her older sister Rachel (Southern) on the way.

The Winton Cup was followed far and wide on twitter, with Dave Mason posting regularly to keep his followers, who included BFA board members, Sport England, London 2012 and more from overseas, informed with up to the minute news.

The competition was efficiently organised by Duncan Rowlands and his team, with Andy Goodier providing his usual excellent armoury services.

Sam Stockley



*Wales captain, Mark Nelson-Griffiths,
holds the Winton Cup*

VETS NEWS National Championships

Photos by Rob Kirby

British Veterans Fencing, as the former NVA is now called, staged another well-attended championships in Gloucester, with all weapon entries except sabre up on last year.

Of the top seeds in the 45-strong men's foil event, Graham Paul and John Troiano reached the semi-finals unscathed. Elsewhere in the DE, No.2 seed Austen Rose was unfortunate to meet in the L16 double Olympic finalist and seven times Hungarian foil champion Robert Kiss, who had warmed up slowly in the poules after a 10-year break from competition and was languishing as 15th seed. No. 3 seed Lindsay Watkiss fell to Julian Burney, 5th seed Tim Miles to Malcolm Fare and 6th seed Gerry Gajadharsingh to Jacques Portal. Richard Sage came through to the semis from 11th seed, but then met a rampant Robert Kiss. In the other semi Paul had a surprisingly easy victory over Troiano, who lacked his usual speed and accuracy. The final was never in doubt as Kiss demonstrated his class with a clinical display of fast well-timed attacks.

In women's foil Maggie Myers and Jane Clayton overcame the third and fourth seeds, Clare Halsted and Lynda Norrie, respectively to reach the semi-finals where they were joined by the top two seeds, Linda McMahon and Gillian Worman. While Worman had a straightforward victory over Myers, a desperately slow struggle developed between McMahon and Clayton before the five times British champion finally emerged victorious at 5-3. The final was equally uninspiring as both fencers made ineffective attacks, parried and missed or hit off target. Eventually, McMahon found a few scoring moves and duly won her first vets title 6-2.

Three of the top four seeds in the 50-strong men's epee made their way to the semi-finals without too much difficulty – Anton Pollard, Neal Mallett and Howard West. But in the bottom half of the draw, the No. 2 seed,



*Neal Mallett,
men's epee champion*

*Jane Clayton,
women's epee champion*

Jonathan Stanbury, just lost his first DE fight to 31st seed Jim Whelan, who lost in turn to Jon Rawlinson, who emerged as the fourth semi-finalist after beating Roger Nickless. Pollard and Mallett defeated West and Rawlinson respectively and then put on an enthralling final that at one stage saw Pollard 6-3 ahead before Mallett equalised a few seconds before time expired. A final riposte allowed Mallett to retain his title.

Among the women epeeists, all the top seeds except last year's winner Sara Spence fell by the wayside. Spence was joined in the last four by 12th seed Jane Clayton, 11th seed Kate Morwell-Neve and 7th seed Kate Smith. Clayton reversed last year's final against Spence by winning 10-8 in one semi, while a tense battle developed between the two Kates in the other, Smith equalising at 8-all as time expired. A last attack by Morwell-Neve saw her through to the final, where she found her best efforts thwarted by the long and slippery reach of Clayton, who went on to win her first vets title 10-7.

*Robert Kiss,
men's foil champion*

*Linda McMahon,
women's foil champion*

*Duncan Rowlands,
men's sabre champion*

*Beth Davidson,
women's sabre champion*



In men's sabre the No. 1 and No. 3 seeds, Rob Penton and Carl Morris, duly reached the semi-finals, where they were joined by 12th seed Duncan Rowlands and the old fox himself, Richard Cohen, 12 times veteran champion, who had taken out the No. 2 seed Keith Rogerson. Cohen went on to reach his 14th final by beating Morris 10-7. The other semi saw Penton race to a 5-1 lead at the break. A few wise words in Rowlands's ear from Beth Davidson were not immediately heeded as Penton made another fast attack to go 6-1 up, but then Rowlands lengthened the distance, causing Penton's attacks to fall short, and scored the next nine hits to win the encounter. Rowlands continued to fence well in the final and all Cohen's experience could not disturb his timing and accuracy as he went on to win his first vets title 10-6.

The biggest upset of the championships occurred in women's sabre, when Jane Hutchison, No. 1 seed and champion for the past six years, fell to Caron Hale 9-10 in the quarter-finals. Hale had an equally close victory the round before over Wednesday Jones and again in her semi-final against Michele Narey. No. 2 seed Beth Davidson stormed through the other half of the draw, beating Jenny Morris 10-5 in her semi before overwhelming Hale 10-2 in the final.

Brian Causton and Jenny Morris retained their champion at arms titles.

EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

The British women's sabre team has won the European Championship for the third time in succession. Held in Skopje, Macedonia, the event attracted 59 teams from 17 nations. Each team of three had to have a combined age of 150 years for men and 140 years for women.

Britain's gold medal winning team of Sue Benney, Beth Davidson, Caron Hale and Jane Hutchison were in a poule unique of five. They lost their first match against Germany 4-5, but won the rest against Italy, France and Russia all 6-3. Italy also finished with just one loss, both teams being equal with 22 individual victories and an indicator of +8. Finally, on a count of hits given, GB produced 35 to Italy's 31 to retain their title as European champions.

In the other weapons Britain came 7th out of 12 in men's foil, 5th out of eight in women's foil, 11th out of 16 in men's epee, 7th out of nine in women's epee and 4th out of nine in men's sabre. Overall, Italy swept the board with three golds and two silvers, missing out on the podium only in men's epee.

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ARMY CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year's championships were attended by over 60 fencers and preceded by a day and a half of intense training provided by James and Andrew Beevers to bring the beginners up to speed and blow the cobwebs from some of the more experienced, yet inevitably rusty, fencers.

Sabre brought old rivals Captain Jamie Metcalfe from the Yorkshire Regiment and Sergeant Andy Bex from the Rifles together in the final, Metcalfe comfortably winning his fifth successive title. The women's competition was much

closer with Sgt Jules Batty-Smith from the REME trading point for point with Second Lieutenant Hannah Adams until the break when Adams pulled away to win 15-12.

The men's foil the final was a hard fought contest between the Territorial Army's experienced Second Lieutenant Chris Kent and, a newcomer to the competition, Private Adam Heslop from the Intelligence Corps. Kent managed to edge home 15-13 but, as the TA is not eligible to win the championship, the trophy went to Heslop on his debut. The women's event once again saw Adams in the final against Corporal Emma Sandercock of the Queen Alexandria's Royal Army Nursing Corps. Adams seemed still to be in sabre mode, allowing Sandercock to nurse her way to victory.

The final day saw the epee competitions, the men's event being won for the first time by Lance Bombadier Lee Spiers, who edged out the defending champion, Francois Louw of the Royal Logistic Corps. In the women's championship, Hannah Adams reached her third final, but was soundly beaten by Captain Jennie Goodman of the Royal Army Dental Corps. The Yorkshire Regiment won the 3-Man team event following a re-match against the Honourable Artillery Company and the Officers thrashed the Other Ranks to round off the tournament.

Jamie Metcalfe



Marc Burkhalter, winner of the **Epee Club's Inns of Court** gold cup at Hurlingham, with fellow fencers.

NAVY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Two individuals in particular stood out during the Royal Navy championships. LMEA Gemma Wollaston took the individual title in all three weapons and became the Master Swordswoman for the second year running. Lieutenant Keith Bowers took home the Master Swordsman award, coming top in both epee and sabre, with Lieutenant Commander Adrian Olliver winning the foil title.

The penultimate event was the Inter-Command women's foil championship. Plymouth started strongly with an 18-point lead, but Lieutenant Caila Barnett pulled Portsmouth back into the match and went on to give her team a



Gemma Wollaston and Keith Bowers

45-42 victory. Finally the six-person Inter-Command event was fought hard by all three entries before Plymouth Command won the final competition of the weekend.

A new member of the Portsmouth Club which meets at HMS Sultan on a Tuesday evening, Sub Lieutenant Gail Hodgkinson, said "I enjoyed all aspects of the championships from the sporting to the social side and would definitely recommend fencing to everyone."

Navy Fencing has a series of events over the year and will have teams competing in the RAF one-hit epee and in Guernsey prior to the Inter Unit team competition in London in November. Further details can be seen at www.navyfencing.co.uk.

Dicky Barton

WHEELCHAIR FENCING

Vivien Mills won a bronze medal at the Montreal World Cup. In her foil poule she had three victories and went on to defeat Ponwapee (THA) 15-11 before finishing equal third.

17-year-old Justine Moore made an impressive start in her first World Cup with a victory over Dearing (USA) in foil, finishing 7th.

Simon Wilson had two victories in foil over Khanthitao (THA) and Formento (ITA) before going out to Alhaddad (KUW) in the DE. Tom Hall Butcher had an exciting DE sabre match against Citerne (FRA) and was leading 8-6 before being defeated 15-11.

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Shuna Body



Vivien Mills

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The Dangers of the Dead Box

Young Fencer

RADFORD QUALIFIES FOR YOUTH OLYMPICS

Sixteen-year-old Amy Radford has qualified for the first Youth Olympic Games in Singapore in August. Only four fencers at each weapon from Europe can qualify, but only one per country and, as two of the top four women epeeists are Italian, that let in Amy, the fifth highest placed European. She qualified by coming eighth in the world cadet women's epee championship in Baku, Azerbaijan, over Easter.

Despite losing her first three fights in her poule, she went on to win the last three to be seeded 35th. In her first DE fight against Di Tella (ARG) Amy was 2-7 down at the first break, but fought back to win 15-9. Now fencing on a centre piste with the wireless system, she beat the No. 3 seed Zagala (POL) 15-11 in the L32, then Jacob (FRA) 15-8 to reach the quarter-finals.

Next up was the tall Romanian, Tataran. "She was quite an aggressive fencer and really rushed me", said Amy. "Unfortunately, I couldn't quite slow the match down and fence at my pace until it was too late. I lost 15-9. It was a weird feeling knowing that I was just one fight away from a world championship medal, but at the same time I was really thrilled with my performance and 8th place."

Amy Radford



MANCHESTER CADET TOURNAMENT



The Manchester Cadet Tournament at the Bolton Arena

The Manchester Cadet Tournament (ManCad) has been running annually since 2004, but this year it has been designated a European cadet selection tournament for 2010/11 by the European Fencing Confederation (EFC).

Apart from the British Cadet Championships, ManCad is the only six-weapon cadet competition in the UK and has been a selection event for GB cadet squads for several years. However, as organiser Natalia Gyuricska explains, this is only the beginning: "The challenge for us is to work hard between now and 18th September to ensure that we provide the fencers with the best possible experience and to cement the ManCad tournament as part of the European calendar. We aim to demonstrate to everyone that we are serious about fencing in this country and that we have some fantastically talented fencers and coaches."

Natalia continues: "The right venue is critical to the smooth-running of the competition. The Bolton Arena, which was built for the Commonwealth Games, gives us all we need to run a superb competition. It has plenty of space for both fencers and spectators, excellent changing facilities, technological support and plenty of scope for sponsors of all sizes to promote their brands. At the same time the use of such a prestigious venue creates the right impression to both overseas competitors and the media."

"Until ManCad was introduced, British under-17 fencers had no experience of large-scale international competition for all three weapons except by travelling to other countries, which is both expensive and time consuming. This event helps them to experience the type of tournament environment they can expect to encounter if and when they are called up to the Great Britain squads. With ManCad now part of the European circuit, our young fencers will have the opportunity to experience U17 fencing at its best and face some of Europe's finest in high pressure competition. We hope to keep our



Caitlin Chang (right) and Leonora Mackinnon, winner and runner-up at last year's women's epee event



Laszlo's fencers at the Birds Nest

talented young fencers involved, give them a taste of the sport at a more serious level, help to maintain their interest and hopefully encourage them to stay in the sport. We want to give all fencers, coaches, referees, sponsors and the media the best possible impression of the sport in this country."

"Even though ManCad 2010 is around 3 months away, the organisers are currently working almost around the clock to make it a special event. We already have one sponsor, StormGuard (<http://www.stormguard.co.uk/>), who appreciate the skill and determination required to be at the top of one's field and to share in the excitement, spirit and challenge of competitive fencing. They know what a great opportunity this year's tournament represents and have recognised that the future of fencing in Britain could be shaped somewhat by how well received the event is. Everything is there; it's just up to us to make it happen."

To get involved, either as a volunteer or as a sponsor, please contact Natalia Gyuricska at robertandnatalia@talktalk.net

EVERY (ASH) CLOUD HAS A SILVER LINING

On Easter Monday an excited band of 23 assorted fencers, coaches, parents and big sisters all from Laszlo's Fencing Club in Durham, set off from Newcastle for China. Our 10-day stay in Beijing was planned to include both training and opportunities to enjoy a unique cultural experience. On arrival, we were welcomed by Durham University student and club member Boya Wang. Our hosts, the Vango International Fencing Centre and its owner (and keen fencer) Mr Wang, welcomed us with huge red banners and posters in Chinese and English announcing our visit. All around were dozens of fencers, mostly children and their parents kitted out in spotless fencing gear and all eager to practice their English and to show us around the building.

Vango's home is located within the Olympic Sports Centre Park in a building that was the training centre for all fencing teams taking part in the 2008 Olympics and Paralympics. Since taking over the building, the club,

described as 'small' in Chinese terms, has built up a membership of 4000 and hopes to double these numbers over the coming year. The ground floor has three training halls, one for footwork and fully equipped strength and conditioning gym, the other two each with 20 permanent electric pistes. The second floor is for administration, equipment shop, armoury and a fourth salle for adult fencing with eight electric pistes, a second conditioning area and a café for the parents to relax while their children train. The picture windows provided a view across the Olympic Park to the Birds Nest and Water Cube, giving us a sense of what the world's best fencers experienced during the Olympics two years ago.

The training programme for our juniors started at 7.30 am with Laszlo and Rit leading fitness training in the Olympic Park. This usually entailed at least two circuits of the Birds Nest and excited much curiosity on the part of the various security guards, park cleaners, kite sellers and purveyors of other Olympic-related memorabilia. The daytime consisted of sight-seeing, with visits to the World Heritage sites of the Forbidden City and Tiananmen Square, the Empress Cixi's beautiful lakeside Summer Palace and the Temple of Heaven. We also visited the exotic Night Market where people sampled such goodies as scorpion, snake on a stick, baby bees and other unmentionable foodstuffs. However the highlight of the whole trip was our visit to the Great Wall of China at Mutiányú. Evenings were focussed on fencing training at Vango in which our juniors were integrated with the different progression groups led



Vango Fencing Club



Some of the delicacies on offer at the food market

by one of the 60 Chinese coaching staff employed at the centre. Myself, Beth Davidson and other senior fencers trained in the adult salle.

The structure of the club was something that had no comparison with anything we had experienced before. Each fencing hall had a head coach who managed another six coaches leading the different progression sessions. Each coach had a personal headset allowing them to communicate with the head coach if there was a problem within the centre (with 23,000 metres of floor space to manage, this meant it was easy to find people). The ages of the fencers ranged from about 4 to 40.

Each week they have an open day for people who are interested in starting fencing, with proud parents queuing up to wait for their turn to attend a mini-workshop with one of the coaches. The prospective fencer is then shown the characteristics of the individual weapons and fitted with a jacket and mask for a basic lesson in epee, which is introduced at this first stage as it is the fundamental weapon for combat and easier to pass on the basic skills

of fencing. Once enrolled, they immediately move on to the foil until they are assessed. Generally, fencers are not advanced to sabre until they are about 15.

The annual fee is the equivalent of about £900. This includes fencing equipment, coaching and access to the facility six days a week. During our stay, Laszlo was invited to lead a coach development workshop for the coaching staff who are all under the age of 30, some having represented the Chinese national team with medals from World Cups and Junior World Championships.

Our 10 days in Beijing over, we checked in our fencing bags and wandered around the airport shop, eager to spend our last Chinese Yuan. But after being delayed for 3 hours, a sign was placed saying "adverse weather conditions in Europe". Although we then boarded and the plane began to move, we had to return to the stand and disembark. At that point the second phase of our epic trip to China began, the Survival Stage!

Being stranded in Beijing was a balance of experiencing more wonderful Chinese hospitality with a new challenge of finding a way of getting home. Vango Fencing Club became 'Knights in Shining Armour' and arranged accommodation at the Olympic 5-star hotel, with food, transport and medical needs provided when Laszlo became ill. The British Embassy worked on ways of getting us home and the British School opened their doors so the children could continue their schooling. The media attention was unbelievable, with our circumstances being the story that symbolised the ash cloud crisis. But best of all we really got to know our friends in the group with whom we were stranded, sharing experiences which will provide many lasting memories and on which we can dine out for at least the next six months, utilising our now expert chopstick skills. ■

Carole Seheult

40th WELSH OPEN: 13/14.11.10

The Welsh Institute of Sport, Cathedral Road, Cardiff. CF11 9SW

Events	13th November	Latest Report Time
	Men's Foil	08.45
	Women's Epee	10.45
	Women's Sabre	12.30
	14th November	
	Men's Epee	08.45
	Women's Foil	10.45
	Men's Sabre	12.30

NO PLATE COMPETITION

Entry Fee: £22 per weapon £35 for two weapons Late entries £32 per weapon if space available

Payable to: Welsh Fencing

Postal Entries: Welsh Open Entries, c/o 43 Heol Miskin, Pontyclun, RCT, CF72 9AJ

Online Entries: link from www.welshfencing.org

Closing Date: 30.10.10. Late entries accepted at organisers' discretion

Notes: Current BFA membership or equivalent must be shown at sign in. Armoury for personal weapons not guaranteed. Sports Centre accommodation: 029 2030 0500.

ENTRY FORM

40th WELSH OPEN: 13/14.11.10 Sponsored by Leon Paul

Weapon(s):

Name:

Address:

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Email:

Club:

Entry fee (Non-refundable):

Licence Number:

Please state if Cadet/Veteran:

I accept that the organisers cannot be held responsible for any accident, loss or damage sustained at the tournament.

Signed: **Date:**

(Parent/Guardian if under 18)

Letters

ENGLAND AND BRITISH FENCING

Since England Fencing moved its office functions to British Fencing's HQ at Chiswick, I have heard a number of rumours surrounding the future of the two organisations. I would like to take this opportunity to explain the situation to the membership.

When England Fencing was first established a few years ago, the British Fencing admin team lacked the capacity to undertake the administrative work required, particularly around the management of coach education.

It made perfect sense for the England board to establish an office near the home of our then President. Our administrator, Jan Jukes, supported by John Ramsay and the England Executive, did sterling work setting up and managing the first proper coaching register for many years, along with other valuable work.

However, times move on. In late 2008 Piers Martin, working on behalf of both England and British Fencing, successfully managed a bid for a substantial amount of grant funding for the England Development Project (EDP). This bid included an element for administrative support, and when the funds started to flow in 2009 it became apparent that there would be some duplication of administrative resources. John's retirement in the summer of 2009 removed the last justification for the location of our office in Ipswich.

The directors of England Fencing considered the value to members of maintaining a separate office base. After much thought they agreed that it would be better to come to a collaborative arrangement with British Fencing over administrative functions, freeing up some income that would be better invested in grass roots fencing.

The terms of the Sport England grant require an element of 'matched funding'. The England board decided that, at least for budget years 2009/10 and 2010/11, England would dedicate virtually its entire development budget (approximately £60,000 pa) to supporting the EDP, contributing significantly to that matched funding requirement. To have done otherwise would have resulted in the quixotic situation of having two competing development programmes co-existing in a relatively small sport.

England and British Fencing personnel are now co-operating to deliver the EDP projects. In some cases the personnel directly overlap, so we have Ben Champion, as National Development Manager for both organisations, responsible for delivering the overall project. We also have Norman Randall as EF Director of Coach Education and also as BF Project Officer for Coach Education. Several others also have two hats and of course many volunteers support both organisations in different ways.

I appreciate that this very close working relationship raises some anxieties amongst other home countries, and amongst those who feel that EF should have maintained greater independence from BF. There is another strand of opinion that feels that the whole EF devolution project was a mistake in the first place and the two organisations should simply merge.

There is some merit in all of these positions. The Sport England money has to be spent in England, so there will be projects which only benefit England Fencing members. Whilst I understand that this is frustrating for our colleagues in other Home Countries, I would reassure them that they will also benefit from those structures (like online competition entry, or the Academy) that will have pan-UK benefit, despite having been developed with English money. I should also confess that, during the period when the other HCs were funded by their sports councils and England was not, I used to cast an envious eye over the borders!

Whatever personal feelings we may have about how the NGBs should be organised and funded, we have to live in the world in which we find ourselves and make the best of what we have, on behalf of the sport and the membership. That is what the EF and BF boards, volunteers and professional staff, are striving to do.

Ray Stafford
President, England Fencing Ltd

Results

NOTE TO COMPETITION ORGANISERS

Some results are sent to the BFA website in non-HTML format, such as pdf files. These are fine for reading, but do not allow copying and editing for publication in *The Sword*. For the sake of archived records, it would be appreciated if results could always be sent in HTML, otherwise they will not be published.

COMBINED EVENTS – ABROAD

WORLD JUNIOR/CADET CHAMPIONSHIPS: 6/10.4.10

Junior Men's Epee
L16 – Gareth Thomas

Cadet Men's Foil
L16 – Alex Tofalides

Men's Foil Team
5th – GB

Cadet Women's Foil
L16 – Leah King

Cadet Women's Epee
L8 – Amy Radford

Cadet Men's Sabre
L16 – Henry Walker

COMBINED EVENTS – HOME

PUBLIC SCHOOLS: 16/18.3.10

- Boys Senior Foil (95)**
- NAGLE Chris (HARROW)
 - KETLEY Harrison (MILLFIELD)
 - 3= CHIVERS Callum (BRISTOL GRAMMAR)
 - 3= SPICKER Johannes (BRENTWOOD)
 - RANDALL George (BRISTOL GRAMMAR)
 - BRYANT Acland (ST EDMUND'S COL)
 - HO Andy (TONBRIDGE)
 - HALL Tom (EXETER)
 - BLOCK Jonathan (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
 - ROBINSON Alexander (WESTMINSTER)
 - RADVAN Josh (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
 - OZANNE Pierre (ELIZABETH COL)
 - DE JUNIAC (Nicolas) (ETON COL)
 - STROUD Edward (CITY OF LONDON)
 - THIEDE Frederick (WINCHESTER COL)
 - POWELL Tom (WARWICK)
 - PLUMB Oliver (WORTH)
 - HOAD James (WINCHESTER COL)
 - ABADJIEV Ivan (KING'S CANTERBURY)

- DATTENBERG-DOYLE Tasso (CHARTERHOUSE)
- BUSWELL Anthony (CHARTERHOUSE)
- DAVY Drew (TONBRIDGE)
- BICKERS Ben (BRISTOL GRAMMAR)
- CRIPPS Frederick (ETON COL)
- HALL Edward (ETON COL)
- SULLIVAN Tadhg (BRENTWOOD)
- WOODHOUSE Hamish (MARLBOROUGH COL)
- BOTELER Harry (ETON COL)
- LEWIS Christopher (WESTMINSTER)
- KIRKMAN Christopher (WORTH)
- LITTLE Ed (HARROW)
- ASHWORTH Matthew (ELIZABETH COL)

Boys Junior Foil (91)

- BAXTER George (BRENTWOOD)
- WONG Jack (MALVERN COL)
- 3= MING Daniel (HYMERS COL)
- 3= WOOLLARD Max (HIGHGATE)
- MACKLEY Huon (CHURCHER'S COL)
- MOSLEY Daniel (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
- CAPERN-BURGESS Aubery (HYMERS COL)
- INDERWICK Benjamin (ELIZABETH COL)
- MANSON James (ETON COL)
- EVANS James (MILLFIELD)
- ST JOHN Charlie (UNIVERSITY COL)
- BROWN Fred (BRENTWOOD)
- LLOYD Hugo (HARROW)
- GARRARD Adam (ELIZABETH COL)
- EDDINGS Toby (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
- CARVER Robbie (BRENTWOOD)
- SEYMOUR Jago (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
- CRAME Thomas (ELIZABETH COL)
- BROWN Alexander (BRENTWOOD)
- GERMANY William (RGS NEWCASTLE)
- GUERRINI-NAZOA Christian (WORTH)
- CANTRELL Toby (BRISTOL GRAMMAR)
- MARSH Philip (MONKTON COMBE)
- WARD Oliver (BRENTWOOD)
- HOULIHAN Jonathan (WARWICK)
- MILNER Luke (ELIZABETH COL)
- GORDON Dishoun (BISHOP CHALLONER)
- WILKIN Peter (EPSOM COL)

- WHITTLE Simon (STONYHURST COL)
- SAUNDERS Ben (BRENTWOOD)
- HIGGS Michael (ELIZABETH COL)
- ALDOUS-GRANBY James (ELIZABETH COL)

Boys Mount-Haes Foil (108)

- BAILEY George (MILLFIELD)
- WADDINGTON Oliver (HYMERS COL)
- 3= ATKIN Benjamin (HYMERS COL)
- 3= PECK Harry (ELTHAM COL)
- JENNINGS Rafe (HIGHGATE)
- BARTLETT Alexander (HYMERS COL)
- ASPEN Adam (ELTHAM COL)
- BRYANT Lyle (ST EDMUND'S COL)
- MILLER Jack (ELIZABETH COL)
- BIRCH George (ELIZABETH COL)
- SHAYLE Cameron (UNIVERSITY COL)
- DUNHILL Oli (BRISTOL GRAMMAR)
- CHANDLER Andrew (ELIZABETH COL)
- GOSS-LAYANI Leeam (MILL HILL)
- TURP Joseph (BRENTWOOD)
- SLAUGHTER Alexander (ETON COL)
- ALDRIDGE Alexander (MARLBOROUGH COL)
- HARRIS Rafe (MILLFIELD)
- MAUGHAN George (KING'S CANTERBURY)
- WIDDICOMBE George (BRISTOL GRAMMAR)
- GUNDLE Leo (CITY OF LONDON)
- CANTRELL Hugo (BRISTOL GRAMMAR)
- WORMAN Craig (MILLFIELD)
- HUSTON Benjamin (HIGHGATE)
- GRIMWOOD Daniel (TONBRIDGE)
- BRAIN Tomas (WELLINGTON)
- REINGOLD Ariel (HIGHGATE)
- MALLOCH-BROWN George (MARLBOROUGH COL)
- WILCOX-MAHON Conor (HIGHGATE)
- DOHERTY Alexander (ELIZABETH COL)
- ORCHART Henry (MONMOUTH)
- WOOLLEY James (WESTMINSTER)

Girls Senior Foil (28)

- WILTSHIRE Laura (MILLFIELD)
- ENGEL Josefina (BRENTWOOD)
- 3= BARRINGTON Georgina (PLYMOUTH COL)

- 3= CHO Hee-Ah (BRENTWOOD)
- HYMAN Amy (ST MARGARET'S)
- ROSE-INNES Elizabeth (CHARTERHOUSE)
- JOHNSON Rowena (RED MAIDS)
- KETTLE Gabby (RGS WORCESTER)
- McGEEVER Jenny (WELLINGTON)
- POTTERTON Pebbles (BRISTOL GRAMMAR)
- PURCELL Sophie (HYMERS COL)
- HIGGINS Camilla (ST PAUL'S GIRLS)
- LEE Rachel (WYCOMBE ABBEY)
- COLWILL Lizzie (SIR WILLIAM PERKINS)
- ROEX Gea (BENENDEN)
- BIRD Florence (MILLFIELD)

Girls Junior Foil (44)

- LINEHAM Amy (CITY OF LONDON GIRLS)
- LISSMANN Rebecca (BRENTWOOD)
- 3= HALL Harriet (TORMEAD)
- 3= MACKINNON Leonora (BRADFIELD COL)
- NOBLE Madelaine (HYMERS COLL)
- FRANKLIN Jessica (CITY OF LONDON GIRLS)
- SEGALL Grace (DR CHALLONER'S HIGH)
- OKWOROBU Elizabeth (BISHOP CHALLONER)
- HOOPER Chloe (BRENTWOOD)
- DOUCH Hannah (LLANDOVERY COL)
- BOREHAM Zoe (RED MAIDS')
- CAMERON Sian (BRENTWOOD)
- MORGAN Danielle (MILLFIELD)
- ROSS Fiona (GUILDFORD HIGH)
- GLADSTONE Fenella (LADIES COL)
- LINDSAY Georgie (LADIES COL)

Girls Mount-Haes Foil (53)

- SUDDERICK Zoe (GUILDFORD HIGH)
- CHART Yvonne (TRURO)
- 3= GUNDRY Jessica (WELLINGTON)
- 3= MARTIN Lorna (GUILDFORD HIGH)
- CLARKE Jade (WELLINGTON)
- RICE Ella (GUILDFORD HIGH)
- RICH Elaria (TORMEAD)
- STAPLES Victoria (IPSWICH HIGH)
- KURTIS Emma (HYMERS COL)
- MINOLI Laura (CITY OF LONDON GIRLS)
- GWILLIM-THOMAS Rose (HEADINGTON)
- STOWE Leslie (BRENTWOOD)
- DUNBAR Kate (ST PAUL'S GIRLS)

14. HIGGS Helen (LADIES COL)
15. BUDDEN Jennifer (KING EDWARD VI SOTON)
16. TURLEY Alix (RGS WORCESTER)
17. JOHNSON-PERKINS Lois (CITY OF LONDON GIRLS)
18. CAMERON Natalie (KING'S WORCESTER)
19. VINEBERG Sophie (CENTRAL NEWCASTLE HIGH)
20. WALSH Becky (BRISTOL GRAMMAR)
21. BRUNNSTROM Ebba (ST PAUL'S GIRLS)
22. PATEL Anoushka (ST PAUL'S GIRLS)
23. VERHEIJEN Lauren (BRENTWOOD)
24. WRIGHT Aine (KING'S CANTERBURY)
25. MACHALE Tara (RED MAIDS)
26. HAMILTON-HOLBROOK Alex (GODOLPHIN & LATYMER)
27. BARON Divya (ST PAUL'S GIRLS)
28. DUNN Rosalind (CLIFTON COL)
29. CROSSLEY Verity (GUILDFORD HIGH)
30. FALVEY Siobhan (RED MAIDS')
31. CAYLEY Catriona (HEADINGTON)
32. SISSONS Francesca (ST HELEN & ST KATHARINE)

Boys Senior Epee (113)

1. BURNSIDE David (FOYLE & LONDONDERRY COL)
2. CHUNG Tom (KING'S CANTERBURY)
- 3= HENDERSON Matt (RGS NEWCASTLE)
- 3= ROBINSON Oliver (WHITGIFT)
5. FREWIN James (CITY OF LONDON FREEMEN'S)
6. DE JUNIAC Nicolas (ETON COL)
7. NAGLE Chris (HARROW)
8. KETLEY Harrison (MILLFIELD)
9. SPICKER Johannes (BRENTWOOD)
10. GUNPUT Satya (WESTMINSTER)
11. ALLEN James (WHITGIFT)
12. POWELL Tom (WARWICK)
13. DIXON Andrew (RGS NEWCASTLE)
14. HO Andy (TONBRIDGE)
15. ABADJIEV Ivan (KING'S CANTERBURY)
16. MORRIS Sam (HYMERS COL)
17. ASHWORTH Matthew (ELIZABETH COL)
18. IAMSURI Kasi (KING'S CANTERBURY)
19. SLOAN Oliver (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
20. OZANNE Pierre (ELIZABETH COL)
21. MUI Ka-Ho (MALVERN COL)
22. JAWORSKI Karol (STOCKPORT GRAMMAR)
23. BLOCK Jonathan (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
24. KEOGAN Jack (WARWICK)
25. ROBINSON Alexander (WESTMINSTER)
26. COURAGE Edward (MILLFIELD)
27. TRAN Moonley (DULWICH COL)
28. CHEUNG Tim (KING'S CANTERBURY)
29. LONGDEN Gregory (MILLFIELD)
30. DONOVAN James (CITY OF LONDON)
31. RADVAN Josh (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
32. FRASER Alex (WHITGIFT)

Boys Junior Epee (120)

1. MARSH Philip (MONKTON COMBE)
2. CURRY Sam (WHITGIFT)
- 3= BAXTER George (BRENTWOOD)
- 3= HOULIHAN Jonathan (WARWICK)
5. GERMANY William (RGS NEWCASTLE)
6. MING Daniel (HYMERS COL)
7. CRAME Thomas (ELIZABETH COL)
8. MORGAN Harry (CLIFTON COL)
9. BARNES Jahmal (DULWICH COL)
10. CHAN Thomas (ABINGDON)
11. KIRKMAN James (WORTH)
12. DOHERTY William (RGS GUILDFORD)
13. CHOONG Joe (WHITGIFT)
14. SHEPPERD David (MILLFIELD)
15. SIMPSON Jamie (STOCKPORT GRAMMAR)
16. JOHNSON Jamie (KING'S CANTERBURY)
17. CAPERN-BURGESS Aubery (HYMERS COL)
18. WADDINGTON Oliver (HYMERS COL)
19. WHITTLE Simon (STONYHURST COL)
20. FARAGGI Omri (ABINGDON)
21. NG Bernard (ABINGDON)
22. FOSTER Adam (DULWICH COL)
23. MANSON James (ETON COL)
24. GEIJERSSTAM Cedric (DOWNSIDE)
25. SWARTZENTRUBER Joe (ST PAUL'S)
26. CARVER Robbie (BRENTWOOD)
27. SCHAFF Dominic (ELTHAM COL)
28. LEES Tom (WHITGIFT)
29. HARVEY Thomas (TRURO)
30. EDDINGS Toby (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
31. SAUNDERS Ben (BRENTWOOD)
32. JONES Eliot (KING'S WORCESTER)

Boys Mount-Haes Epee (110)

1. CURRAN-JONES Tomas (DULWICH COL)
2. BOYLE Sam (REPTON)
- 3= HARRIS Hugo (MARLBOROUGH COL)
- 3= MILLER Jack (ELIZABETH COL)
5. TIDMARSH Ned (DULWICH COL)
6. CROSS Jacob (WHITGIFT)
7. WORMAN Craig (MILLFIELD)
8. PECK Harry (ELTHAM COLL)
9. ATKIN Benjamin (HYMERS COL)
10. HART Jasper (WINCHESTER COL)
11. PAO Alvin (WINCHESTER COL)
12. BARTLETT Alexander (HYMERS COL)
13. NG Ringo (UPPINGHAM)
14. BAILEY George (MILLFIELD)
15. DEAN Charles (TRURO)
16. LE MARCHANT Benjamin (ELIZABETH COL)
17. ASPDEN Adam (ELTHAM COL)
18. MARSH Anthony (MONKTON COMBE)
19. FLAWN-THOMAS Piers (MILLFIELD)
20. PETTY Leo (REED'S)
21. KAVANAGH Ryan (WHITGIFT)
22. HOUGH Rory (ELIZABETH COLL)
23. CHONG Matthew (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
24. NG Declan (TONBRIDGE)
25. YATES Chris (CATERHAM)
26. BRAIN Tomas (WELLINGTON)

27. WORTHINGTON Charles (ST BENEDICT'S EALING)
28. LYNCH Matthew (BROMSGROVE)
29. CHOONG Henry (WHITGIFT)
30. LANE William (CITY OF LONDON FREEMEN'S)
31. ROBINSON Max (ABINGDON)
32. HARRIS Rafe (MILLFIELD)

Girls Senior Epee (42)

1. McGEEVER Jenny (WELLINGTON)
2. BOWERS Jacquelynne (DR CHALLONER'S HIGH)
- 3= KETTLE Gabby (RGS ALICE OTTLEY)
- 3= WILTSHIRE Laura (MILLFIELD)
5. BIRD Florence (MILLFIELD)
6. BARRATT Michelle (MILLFIELD)
7. BARRINGTON Georgina (PLYMOUTH COL)
8. HYMAN Amy (ST MARGARET'S)
9. RICHARDSON Emily (WELLINGTON)
10. ENGEL Josefina (BRENTWOOD)
11. COLWILL Lizzie (SIR WILLIAM PERKINS)
12. GREEN Amelia (BENENDEN)
13. DAVIES Beth (UPPINGHAM)
14. LASCHETTI Flavia (WESTONBIRT)
15. JOHNSON Rowena (RED MAIDS)
16. KEELER Annabel (LEH)

Girls Junior Epee (63)

1. MACKINNON Leonora (BRADFIELD COL)
2. JONES Caitlin (DR CHALLONER'S HIGH)
- 3= LINDSAY Georgie (LADIES COL)
- 3= LINEHAM Amy (CITY OF LONDON GIRLS)
5. WALSH Isabelle (WOLDINGHAM)
6. MORGAN Danielle (MILLFIELD)
7. ROSS Fiona (GUILDFORD HIGH)
8. NOBLE Madelaine (HYMERS COL)
9. MCSORLEY Eimile (FOYLE & LONDONDERRY COL)
10. CUTTER Phoebe (DR CHALLONER'S HIGH)
11. PETTY Freya (LEH)
12. SHIPLEY Kate (ALLEYN'S)
13. MANUEL Venetia (MILLFIELD)
14. OKWOROBU Elizabeth (BISHOP CHALLONER)
15. RUSSELL Charlotte (TORMEAD)
16. BROWN Rachel (SIR WILLIAM PERKINS)
17. JACKSON Anna (FOYLE & LONDONDERRY COL)
18. McCAFFERTY Lucia (FOYLE & LONDONDERRY COL)
19. GALTON-AYLING Georgia (LEH)
20. ASTON Francesca (BISHOP CHALLONER)
21. CAMPBELL Chloe (BISHOP CHALLONER)
22. FISK Hannah (TORMEAD)
23. COUSINS Georgina (BISHOP CHALLONER)
24. WILLIAMSON Amanda (DR CHALLONER'S HIGH)
25. LEATHERBARROW Catherine (WOLDINGHAM)
26. HOOPER Chloe (BRENTWOOD)
27. LISSMANN Rebecca (BRENTWOOD)
28. ROOT Helen (HEADINGTON)
29. SUMERAY Jasmine (HEADINGTON)

30. MARTIN Isabella (HEADINGTON)
31. CORISH Sophie (BRADFIELD COL)
32. SEGALL Grace (DR CHALLONER'S HIGH)

Girls Mount-Haes Epee (49)

1. CLARKE Jade (WELLINGTON)
2. MARTIN Lorna (GUILDFORD HIGH)
- 3= GUNDRY Jessica (WELLINGTON)
- 3= HUTTER Clara (CITY OF LONDON FREEMEN'S)
5. GRIFFIN Katy (CITY OF LONDON FREEMEN'S)
6. IRWIN Ellie (CITY OF LONDON FREEMEN'S)
7. SUDDERICK Zoe (GUILDFORD HIGH)
8. KURTIS Emma (HYMERS COLL)
9. STOWE Leslie (BRENTWOOD)
10. CHART Yvonne (TRURO)
11. CROSSLEY Verity (GUILDFORD HIGH)
12. RICH Elaria (TORMEAD)
13. WRIGHT Aine (KING'S CANTERBURY)
14. TURLEY Alix (RGS WORCESTER)
15. GWILLIM-THOMAS Rose (HEADINGTON)
16. RODRIGUES Evangeline (HEADINGTON)
17. TRIFFITT Susie (WOLDINGHAM)
18. RARATY Helena (WYCOMBE ABBEY)
19. CAMERON Natalie (KING'S WORCESTER)
20. STEVENSON Anna (WOLDINGHAM)
21. PEPIATT Susannah (WOLDINGHAM)
22. FRYE Victoria (KING'S CANTERBURY)
23. BALLESTEROS Maria (WOLDINGHAM)
24. BOYD Nicole (WOLDINGHAM)
25. EAST Harriet (BENENDEN)
26. MACKINLAY Mariella (CATERHAM)
27. DUNN Rosalind (CLIFTON COL)
28. EVANS Connie (BENENDEN)
29. PRICE Siobhan (LEH)
30. SPARKS Louisa (CITY OF LONDON FREEMEN'S)
31. HAMILTON-HOLBROOK Alex (GODOLPHIN & LATYMER)
32. CHARMAN Georgina (BENENDEN)

Boys Senior Sabre (66)

1. BOTELER Harry (ETON COL)
2. VONDEE Morgan (MILLFIELD)
- 3= KITSON Lee (FOYLE & LONDONDERRY COL)
- 3= LAWRENCE Christopher (BEDFORD)
5. WEISSER Constantin (SHERBORNE)
6. HOOPER Alisdair (BRENTWOOD)
7. FOTHERBY William (ABINGDON)
8. DIXON Stuart (MILLFIELD)
9. NICHOLL James (FOYLE & LONDONDERRY COL)
10. SPICKER Johannes (BRENTWOOD)
11. BERNSTEIN Jonathan (VICTORIA COL)
12. KETLEY Harrison (MILLFIELD)
13. DE JUNIAC (Nicolas) ETON COL
14. ROBINSON Philip (BRENTWOOD)
15. MILLER Tom (BRENTWOOD)
16. HUMFRESS Alexander (KING'S WORCESTER)
17. CHUNG Tom (KING'S CANTERBURY)
18. SULLIVAN Tadhg (BRENTWOOD)

19. KEOGAN Jack (WARWICK)
20. WILLIAMS Matthew (WESTMINSTER)
21. HALL Edward (ETON COL)
22. BLOCK Jonathan (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
23. COLLIE Mathew (KING'S ROCHESTER)
23. OZANNE Pierre (ELIZABETH COL)
25. WALLIS Henry (ELIZABETH COL)
26. CONNOLLY David (FOYLE & LONDONDERRY COL)
27. ASHWORTH Matthew (ELIZABETH COL)
28. SLOAN Oliver (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
29. JAWORSKI Karol (STOCKPORT GRAMMAR)
30. MORRIS Sam (HYMERS COL)
31. KIRKMAN Christopher (WORTH)
32. HOWARD James (VICTORIA COL)

Boys Junior Sabre (71)

1. ROGERSON Noah (TRURO)
2. WILLIAMS Gruffydd (LLANDOVERY COL)
- 3= MAGEE Richard (FOYLE & LONDONDERRY COL)
- 3= MARSH Philip (MONKTON COMBE)
5. McLEOD Michael (QUEEN'S COL)
6. SIMPSON Jamie (STOCKPORT GRAMMAR)
7. SCOTT Stuart (YARM)
8. BROWN Alexander (BRENTWOOD)
9. BAXTER George (BRENTWOOD)
10. MILNER Luke (ELIZABETH COL)
11. TUCKER Ralph (VICTORIA COL)
12. SPICER Jonathan (ELIZABETH COL)
13. ALDOUS-GRANBY James (ELIZABETH COL)

14. HUDSON Matthew (ELIZABETH COL)
15. FIRTH James (ELIZABETH COL)
16. SLINGSBY-SMITH Zachary (QUEEN'S COL)
17. EVANS James (MILLFIELD)
18. THURSTON Freddy (ETON COL)
19. INDERWICK Benjamin (ELIZABETH COL)
20. CAPERN-BURGESS Aubery (HYMERS COL)
21. GARRARD Adam (ELIZABETH COL)
22. SEYMOUR Jago (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
23. BROWN Fred (BRENTWOOD)
24. MING Daniel (HYMERS COL)
25. HARVEY Thomas (TRURO)
26. BUSHELL Harry (TRURO)
27. COSTA James (WHITGIFT)
28. GORDON Dishawn (BISHOP CHALLONER)
29. MOSLEY Daniel (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
30. SAUNDERS Ben (BRENTWOOD)
31. CRAME Thomas (ELIZABETH COL)
32. ANEES Fareed (ELIZABETH COL)

Boys Mount-Haes Sabre (67)

1. DEARY William (TRURO)
2. WORMAN Craig (MILLFIELD)
- 3= BURTON George (BEDFORD)
- 3= HARRIS Rafe (MILLFIELD)
5. BAILEY George (MILLFIELD)
6. ATKIN Benjamin (HYMERS COL)
7. MOORE William (CITY OF LONDON)
8. HOSKING William (TRURO)
9. ENNALS Ethan (MILLFIELD)
10. LAWRENCE Grant (BEDFORD)
11. HOUGH Rory (ELIZABETH COL)
12. LISSMAN Robert (BRENTWOOD)
13. MAXWELL Joshua (TRURO)

14. KENT Omar (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
15. BARTLETT Alexander (HYMERS COL)
16. CHANDLER Andrew (ELIZABETH COL)
17. REMME Tristian (MILLFIELD)
18. KAVANAGH Ryan (WHITGIFT)
19. COTTAM James (ELIZABETH COL)
20. WALLIS Jack (ELIZABETH COL)
21. LAWRENCE Petrok (BRENTWOOD)
22. SIDEBOTTOM David (ELIZABETH COL)
23. CHONG Matthew (RGS HIGH WYCOMBE)
24. WADDINGTON Oliver (HYMERS COL)
25. DOHERTY Alexander (ELIZABETH COL)
26. MARSH Anthony (MONKTON COMBE)
27. SLAUGHTER Alexander (ETON COL)
28. BIRCH George (ELIZABETH COL)
29. TRENCHARD Joseph (ELIZABETH COL)
30. BLEASE William (WHITGIFT)
31. CLARK-MAXWELL William (ETON COL)
32. RATCLIFFE Jordan (ELTHAM COL)

Girls Senior Sabre (21)

1. ROBB Francine (KING HENRY VIII)
2. CHO Hee-Ah (BRENTWOOD)
- 3= ROWLAND Helen (KING'S WORCESTER)
- 3= WILTSHIRE Laura (MILLFIELD)
5. ENGEL Josefina (BRENTWOOD)
6. VODEN Charlie (MILLFIELD)
7. McGEEVER Jenny (WELLINGTON)
8. CUMMING Catriona (DR CHALLONER'S HIGH)

Girls Junior Sabre (38)

1. ITZKOWITZ Aliya (ST PAUL'S GIRLS)
2. MAIDWELL-SMITH Alice (TRURO)
- 3= HARRIS Philippa (MOUNT)
- 3= MACKINNON Leonora (BRADFIELD COL)
5. NOREJKO Teresa (TRURO HIGH)
6. HALL Eleanor (TORMEAD)
7. SPENCE Niamh (FOYLE & LONDONDERRY COL)
8. OKWOROBU Elizabeth (BISHOP CHALLONER)
9. CAMERON Sian (BRENTWOOD)
10. BURTON Emma (DAME ALICE HARPUR)
11. GLADSTONE Fenella (LADIES COL)
12. NOBLE Madelaine (HYMERS COL)
13. HOOPER Chloe (BRENTWOOD)
14. DIXON Harriet (MILLFIELD)
15. CAMPBELL Hannah (DAME ALICE HARPUR)
16. DAVID Alice (WELLINGTON)

Girls Mount-Haes Sabre (25)

1. NELSON Hannah (BRENTWOOD)
2. CHART Yvonne (TRURO)
- 3= BRIGHT Phoebe (ST PAUL'S GIRLS)
- 3= GUNDRY Jessica (WELLINGTON)
5. HIGGS Helen (LADIES COL)
6. CONDER Lucinda (ST PAUL'S GIRLS)
7. KIM Bomee (ST PAUL'S GIRLS)
8. HAMILTON-HOLBROOK Alex (GODOLPHIN & LATYMER)
9. ST CLAIR (Kim STOCKPORT GRAMMAR)
10. STAPLES Victoria (IPSWICH HIGH)
11. RICE Ella (GUILDFORD HIGH)

Hamlet Open Sabre: Saturday 11 September 2010

[Junior nominated selection event for 2010-11]

Venue: Stratford-upon-Avon Leisure and Visitor Centre, Bridgefoot, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 6YY (on the main Gyratory)

Check in closes: Men's sabre: 09:30
Women's sabre: 10:15

Entry Fee: £25 (£18 if received before 28 August)

Payable to: Shakespeare's Swords

Entries to: David Kirby, Westerleigh, North Littleton, EVESHAM, WR11 8QX

Closing Date: 28 Aug 2010

Age: You must be born in 1997 or earlier to fence in this event.

Licence: Fencers must be in possession of a national competition licence. There can be no refunds for fencers without a valid licence, who will have to be excluded.

Notes: The entry limit on weapons is 133; those applying by the closing date will be accommodated, by giving top seeds byes into the L64 if necessary.

Allstar-Uhlmann UK sponsored event – with equipment stand.

ENTRY FORM Hamlet Open Sabre: 11.09.10

Event: (Men's sabre/Women's sabre).....

Name:..... **DoB:**.....

Address:.....

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..... **Post Code:**.....

Tel:..... **Club:**.....

Email:.....

National Licence No:..... **Issuing Country:**.....

I accept that the organisers cannot be held responsible for any accident, loss or damage sustained at the tournament.

Signed:..... **Date:**.....

(Parent/Guardian if under 18)

Date:..... Entry fee enclosed: £25 / £18 (before 28 Aug)

Send to: David Kirby, (Hamlet Open), Westerleigh, North Littleton, EVESHAM, WR11 8QX

12. EVANS Connie (BENENDEN)
13. STOWE Leslie (BRENTWOOD)
14. GWILLIM-THOMAS Rose (HEADINGTON)
15. VERHEIJEN Lauren (BRENTWOOD)
16. KURTIS Emma (HYMERS COL)

INVICTA OPEN: 20/21/3/10**Men's Foil (64)**

1. HENDRIE Thomas (CHICHESTER)
2. BARWELL Peter (PAUL)
- 3= LIM Alex (BOSTON)
- 3= TULEN Tristan (NED)
5. CAUSTON Brian (BRIGHTON & HOVE)
6. WEEKS Jonathan (BOSTON)
7. COOKE Christopher (PAUL)
8. QUESTIER Michael (CRAWLEY)
9. DEAN Freddie (BOSTON)
10. EXETER Tom (LEEDS UNI)
11. INGLESON Ross (CAMBRIDGE)
12. SADIQ Hussain (ACEDEMY)
13. ELLIS-REES Thomas (BOSTON)
14. WATTS John (KINGSTON UNI)
15. KAHN Khurshid (MICHAEL JOSEPH)
16. MILES Graham (LONDON UNI)
17. DENHAM Leo (BRIGHTON & HOVE)
18. ALLEN Richard (BOSTON)
19. JURY Joe (BOSTON)
20. FIOSY Nick (BOSTON)
21. ANDREWS Ben (HERTS UNI)
22. PINTO-WARD Miguel (CARDIFF UNI)
23. INNES Tim (CRAWLEY)
24. IZOTOV Maxim (UNI OF LONDON)
25. WEEDON Max (ARMY)
26. KWAN Aaron (PAUL)
27. DARROUX Steve (MICHAEL JOSEPH)
28. DEMPSEY Patrick (SAXON)
29. KNIGHT William (OXFORD)
30. PAGE Darren (LONDON UNI)
31. INGLESON Lloyd (CAMBRIDGE)
32. WILSON Alexander (WOKING)

Women's Foil (35)

1. BARLOW Nikki (ALDERSHOT)
2. JAHN Svenja (NED)
- 3= FIOSY Ayesha (BOSTON)
- 3= MITCHELL Alice (SAXON)
5. McDERMOTT Chiara (CRAWLEY)
6. TELLER Tarenn (BOSTON)
7. TULEN Carmen (NED)
8. CLAYTON Jane (MALLARD)
9. KWOK Charlie (BOSTON)
10. KWOK Rachel (ACADEMY)
11. TAYLOR Beatrice (ACADEMY)
12. FRANDS Raelle (ACADEMY)
13. DUXBURY Victoria (BELFAST)
14. SEGALL Grace (WOKING)
15. SEGALL Emmatina (WOKING)
16. PARSONS Aimee (NEWHAM)

Men's Epee (115)

1. TREDGER Dudley (CRAWLEY)
2. LAZZATI Alessandro (HAVERSTOCK)
- 3= BRADLEY Jonathan (LTFC)
- 3= PAOLASINI Lorenzo (HAVERSTOCK)
5. KUHLMEY Lukas (LTFC)
6. THOMAS Gareth (TIGER)
7. D'ANDREA Pasquale (ITA)
8. ALLEN Greg (HAVERSTOCK)

9. DEAN Matthew (REDHILL & REIGATE)
10. FARINA Gianluca (HAVERSTOCK)
11. BUZWELL Tim (LTFC)
11. SPIERS Lee (AFU)
13. TULEN Tristan (NED)
14. WEST Howard (LTFC)
15. JENNINGS Robert (LTFC)
16. CLARKE Christopher (ESPADA)
17. SCRIMSHAW Jason (LTFC)
18. BEAVEN Dominic (HAVERSTOCK)
19. NICHOLLS Taran (REDHILL & REIGATE)
20. IQBAL Adeel (GADASKI)
21. LEITHES Alexander (LTFC)
22. FITZPATRICK Paul (HAVERSTOCK)
23. BEADLE Lawrence (BEDFORD)
24. JOWITT John (BRUNEL UNI)
25. BLOMME Jacques (BEL)
26. MOULTON Gavin (STREATHAM)
27. MILLER Will (NED)
28. HARRIS James (PLYMOUTH)
29. GANDOLFI Miles (SUSSEX UNI)
30. MILLER Daniel (RAVEN)
31. FLATT Robert (PLYMOUTH)
32. BLENCH Toby (HAVERSTOCK)

Women's Epee (37)

1. DOLAN Katie (LAWRENCE)
2. SHAW Chloe (BRUNEL UNI)
- 3= GALLANT Lucinda (HAVERSTOCK)
- 3= JARROLD Heather (ROSE)
5. THOMAS Rebecca (TIGER)
6. WEBSTER Amanda (JOSEPH)
7. NICKERSON Caroline (HAVERSTOCK)
8. HULL Nicola (MAIDSTONE)
9. BOURRUT LACOUTURE Ondine [GADASKI]
10. DOUGLAS Rebecca (ETON)
11. BROOKES-TODORIC Rachel (GADASKI)
12. CLAYTON Jane (MALLARD)
13. ONIYE Margarette (LTFC)
14. FULLER Lydia (INVICTA)
14. KEPPLER Bronagh (HAVERSTOCK)
16. CRANK Tara (TIGER)

Men's Sabre (32)

1. RATNESWARAN Maiyuran (LTFC)
2. OAKES Marc (CITY)
- 3= CRAWFURD Jim (NORFOLK)
- 3= HOWES Anton (ST PAULS)
5. LANGTON Valerian (ST PAULS)
6. NICKEL Joe (U/A)
7. SMIT Evert-Jan (NED)
8. HOWARD Martin (CITY)
9. BAILLACHE Paul (CITY)
10. BALES Michael (CADS)
11. LYEO Seung-Wook (IMPERIAL)
12. LOVE Tim (ULU)
13. KIM Edward (MANX)
14. LEMON Jonathan (CITY)
15. SMITH Mike (BRIGHTON & HOVE)
16. HARRIS Stuart (INVICTA)

Women's Sabre (21)

1. DIGNUM Louise (KENT UNI)
2. WRIGHT Lucy (SEACOURT)
- 3= JELFS Beth (IMPERIAL)
- 3= KOC Yasemin (CITY)
5. OWEN Lucy (TRURO)
6. FRITH Vivien (URSA)
7. PHIPPS Gemma (MANX)
8. COOPER Poppie (MANX)

BIRMINGHAM INTERNATIONAL: 29/30.4.10**Men's Foil (105)**

1. PEGGS Ben (PAUL)
2. SCOURFIELD Jason (BRISTOL)
- 3= BARWELL Peter (PAUL)
- 3= ROBINSON Daniel (SUSSEX HOUSE)
5. GALESLOOT Christiaan (NED)
6. ALLEN Thomas (SUSSEX HOUSE)
7. INGLESON Ross (CAMBRIDGE)
8. BILLING Matthew (BRISTOL UNI)
9. MELIA Rhys (MELIA)
10. GLAISTER Steven (MANCHESTER)
11. SHEARMAN Mathew (BOSTON)
12. NAGLE Conor (IRL)
13. WEEKS Jonathan (BOSTON)
14. WEST Phil (DRAGON)
15. FORBES Chris (A & C)
16. LIM Alex (BOSTON)
17. BRODIE Scott (U/A)
18. ALEXANDER David (U/A)
18. HENDRIE Tom (CHICHESTER)
20. EATON-ROSEN Zach (BOSTON)
21. ELLIS-REES Thomas (BOSTON)
22. DEAN Freddie (BOSTON)
23. SALE Joseph (ESPADA)
24. DOOTSON Nick (MANCHESTER)
25. ROBINSON Alex (SUSSEX HOUSE)
26. BARTLETT Tony (LANSDOWNE)
27. HENDRIE George (SUSSEX HOUSE)
28. ABIDOGUN Kola (BOSTON)
29. WARD Sam (CHILWELL)
30. CLARKE Thomas (A & C)
31. TROIANO John (LANSDOWNE)
32. BEARDMORE Alex (FIGHTING FIT)

Women's Foil (67)

1. BENTLEY Anna (BOSTON)
2. EMANUEL Martina (U/A)
- 3= BENNETT Claire (LANSDOWNE)
- 3= BRYARS Hannah (CENTRAL LONDON)
5. SHEPPARD Natalia (U/A)
6. JOHNSON Lydia (U/A)
7. HANNAY Georgia (BRISTOL)
8. SMITH Eloise (LANSDOWNE)
9. DE SAINTE CROIX Mhairi [WALLACE]
10. BARLOW Nikki (ALDERSHOT)
11. TROIANO Sophie (U/A)
12. ROBINSON Anna (BRISTOL UNI)
13. MASON Anita (MELIA)
14. LINEHAM Amy (PAUL)
15. COLLISTER Stephanie (WREXHAM)
16. TELLER Tarenn (BOSTON)
17. SMITH Anna (CAN DUBLIN UNI)
18. WILLIAMS Grace (SIDMOUTH)
19. SEGALL Emma Tina (WOKING)
20. BENSON Carolyn (WREXHAM)
21. MASON Sophie (KISS)
22. HYMAN Amy (126)
22. McDERMOTT Chiara (CRAWLEY)
24. ORCHART Olivia (BANGOR UNI)
25. MITCHELL Alice (SAXON)
26. WILTSHIRE Laura (MILLFIELD)
27. PONZONIE Eleonora (ANTONINE)
28. McKENZIE Lisa (EDINBURGH)
29. PEARCE Madison (RAVEN)
30. HAMSON Rachael (LEICESTER)
31. PEKER Cecilia (FIGHTING FIT)
32. SUDDERICK Phoebe (ALDERSHOT)

Men's Epee (139)

1. SEBESTA Marek (CZE)
2. THORNTON James (HAVERSTOCK)
- 3= BENNETT Thomas (LTFC)
- 3= CHANUT Florent (FRA)
5. TANNOK Neill (ABERDEEN)
6. TAYLOR James (CARDIFF)
7. FILIPPA Federico (ITA)
8. CRAIG Joe (GLASGOW UNI)
9. WOODBRIDGE Nick (MPAGB)
10. ROWE-HAYNES Max (APOCALYPSE)
11. LISTON George (RAF)
12. DAVIDSON Craig (EDINBURGH)
13. ROWLAND Matt (STOURPORT)
14. BATEMAN Steven (READING)
15. SCRIMSHAW Jason (LTFC)
16. LALLEMAND Jeremy (FRA)
17. CULLING Andrew (HAVERSTOCK)
18. GERRARD Alastair (HAVERSTOCK)
19. NICHOLLS Taran (REDHILL & REIGATE)
20. SHEVELEW David (HAVERSTOCK)
21. EDWARDS Tom (REDHILL & REIGATE)
22. LITTLER Joe (SHEFFIELD)
23. BEAVAN Dominic (HAVERSTOCK)
24. McARTHUR Andrew (STOCKPORT)
25. ROUSE Gareth (HAVERSTOCK)
26. DEAN Matthew (REDHILL & REIGATE)
27. MILLER Daniel (RAVEN)
28. McGRATTAN Eamonn (IRE)
29. MYATT James (MPAGB)
30. HAY Chris (WELLINGTON)
31. YERUBAYEV Alibek (KAZ)
32. SKIPP Michael (HAVERSTOCK)

Women's Epee (94)

1. ELVO Lucrezia (ITA)
2. CARPEGNA Sara (ITA)
- 3= BEER Jessica (LTFC)
- 3= RAINERO Elena (ITA)
5. LOMAS Megan (TAMESIDE)
6. SPENCE Mhairi (MPAGB)
7. ARIAUDO Federica (ITA)
8. SHAW Chloe (BRUNEL UNI)
9. BEADSWORTH Jo (HAVERSTOCK)
10. HIGHTON Elizabeth (RIBBLE VAL)
11. LAMBORN Harriet (HAVERSTOCK)
12. RIDSDALE Lucy (LASZIO)
13. MATTHEWS Abbi (HARROGATE)
14. HACKMACK Laura (AUT)
15. THOMSON Kirsty (WFFC)
16. FELL Heather (MPAGB)
17. LAWRENCE Anneka (LTFC)
18. SPINLOVE Eryn (BIRMINGHAM UNI)
19. BURKE Katy (MPAGB)
20. JEANES Emily (LIVERPOOL UNI)
21. PRENTICE Freyja (MPAGB)
22. LIVINGSTONE Katy (MPAGB)
23. EVANS Ali (WEST FIFE)
24. LAMB Fawn (NORTHUMBRIA)
25. BOTTOMS Lindsay (STOCKPORT)
26. MURRAY Samantha (MPAGB)
27. GALTREY Jodie (HARROGATE)
28. PAYNE Libby (LTFC)
29. DAVEY Natalia (BEDFORD)
30. WOLLASTON Gemma (RN)
31. SPENCE Sara (HAVERSTOCK)
32. HARVEY Abigail (NEWCASTLE)

Men's Sabre (83)

1. BRAINE Gildas (SCIMITAR)
2. MARSHALL Stuart (RIVINGTON PARK)
- 3= CRUTCHETT Anthony (BRENTWOOD)

- 3= RAHIMI Amir (U/A)
- 5. MOTTERSHEAD Thomas (ROMILEY)
- 6. NICHOLLS Thomas (CHILWELL)
- 7. MOSCHOPOULOS Vangeli (EDINBURGH)
- 8. CLARKE Michael (TRURO)
- 9. JOHNSON Mike (U/A)
- 10. MONCREIFF Harry (EDINBURGH UNI)
- 11. BOWERS Keith (RN)
- 12. WRIGHT Peter (NLSC)
- 13. CRUTCHETT Alexander (BRENTWOOD)
- 14. JUPP Alistair (TRURO)
- 15. BALES Michael (CADS)
- 16. BERRY Michael (NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNI)
- 17. PERRY Daniel (URSA)
- 18. SANCROFT Glenn (ROLLO)
- 19. LAWRENCE Chris (BEDFORD)
- 20. MOORE Steve (SCIMITAR)
- 21. WOOLLANDS David (CHILWELL)
- 22. REDSHAW Daniel (SHAKESPEARE)
- 23. MORRISON Murray (SCIMITAR)
- 24. NELIS Julian (SCIMITAR)
- 25. CRAWFURD Jim (NORFOLK)
- 26. REID Laurence (NLSC)
- 27. DONALD Simon (NLSC)
- 28. WILBRAHAM Richard (DUNDEE)
- 29. FOTHERBY Will (XIPHOI)
- 30. WATT Craig (EDINBURGH)
- 31. SHEPHERD-FOSTER Philip (DDRAIG WERN)
- 32. WILLIAMS Nick (NLSC)

Women's Sabre (36)

- 1. WATSON Alice (CADS)
- 2. KEMPE Katherine (BRENTWOOD)
- 3= HOBDAY Tina (NLSC)
- 3= HUTCHISON Jane (BATH)
- 5. CREECHAN Louise (URSA)
- 6. COLLIER Ellie (LASZLO)
- 7. TURNER Eloise (BATH)
- 8. GATHERCOLE Nicola (CITY)
- 9. LITTLE Emma (RIDINGS)
- 10. YATES Georgia (CITY)
- 11. TILLOTT Jennie (NEWCASTLE)
- 12. HOOLE Lisa (CHILWELL)
- 13. RUAUX Emily (RIVINGTON PARK)
- 14. KOC Yasemin (CITY)
- 15. HAWKE Jess (BATH)
- 16. JELFS Beth (IMPERIAL COL)

BRITISH YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS: 1/3.5.10

Boys U18 Foil (46)

- 1. RATTAN Amol (EASTERN)
- 2. ORCHART George (WALES)
- 3= INGLESAN Ross (EASTERN)
- 3= RUSSELL Hugo (SOUTH WEST)
- 5. HON Joe (SOUTH EAST)
- 6. MOSS William (YORKSHIRE)
- 7. FITTON Matthew (NORTH WEST)
- 8. SHARMAN Conor (EAST MIDLANDS)
- 9. JAMSHIDI Sean (SOUTH WEST)
- 9. WARD Samuel (EAST MIDLANDS)
- 11. CLARKE Thomas (EAST MIDLANDS)
- 12. KETLEY Harry (SOUTH WEST)
- 13. LITTLE Clarke (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- 14. GRUNDY Sean (EAST MIDLANDS)
- 15. WILLIAMS Steven (SOUTHERN)
- 16. THOMSON Campbell (SCOTLAND EAST)

Boys U16 Foil (54)

- 1. HENDRIE George (LONDON)
- 2. CORLETT Thomas (NORTH WEST)
- 3= SADIQ Hussain (LONDON)
- 3= SAVIN Alex (LONDON)
- 5. WATSON Jack (EASTERN)
- 6. ARCHER Kristjan (EASTERN)
- 7. BAILEY George (SOUTH WEST)
- 7. BAXTER George (EASTERN)
- 9. PATTERSON David (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- 10. WOOLLARD Max (LONDON)
- 11. BEARDMORE Alex (LONDON)
- 12. ST JOHN Charlie (LONDON)
- 13. WILSON Alexander (SOUTH EAST)
- 14. CUDWORTH Mark (NORTH WEST)
- 15. EDWARDS Adam (EAST MIDLANDS)
- 15. WILSON Daniel (SOUTH WEST)
- 17. BOROWSKI Connal (YORKSHIRE)
- 18. BROSNAN James (LONDON)
- 19. MACKLEY Huon (SOUTHERN)
- 20. FEASTER Daniel (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 21. MINSHALL William (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- 22. LEGOVSKA Mark (SOUTHERN)
- 23. DODSWORTH Rhys (EASTERN)
- 24. DONOVAN Alex (LONDON)
- 25. SCHLINDWEIN Alex (EAST MIDLANDS)
- 26. DEAMER Luke (SOUTH EAST)
- 27. DAVIDSON Scott (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- 28. WILDE Ronan (EAST MIDLANDS)
- 29. VERNON Richard (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 30. HOULSTON Jack (LONDON)
- 31. EVANS James (SOUTH WEST)
- 32. LEITCH Murray (WEST MIDLANDS)

Boys U14 Foil (65)

- 1. RAI Rajan (EASTERN)
- 2. BASHIR Ibrahim (SOUTH WEST)
- 3= LLOYD Alexander (LONDON)
- 3= ROSE James (EASTERN)
- 5. PECK Harry (SOUTH EAST)
- 6. WADDINGTON Oliver (YORKSHIRE)
- 7. DUNNILL Oliver (SOUTH WEST)
- 8. RUSSELL Iain (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
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- 10. RIDSDALE Ethan (WALES)
- 11. PARSONS Thomas (EASTERN)
- 12. HADLEY James (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 13. BEX Mckinley (LONDON)
- 14. FEASTER John (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 15. MORLEY Alex (LONDON)
- 16. ATKIN Ben (YORKSHIRE)
- 17. SADEGHPOOR Etienne (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- 18. LOZOVIK Alan (EASTERN)
- 19. BRYANT Lyle (LONDON)
- 20. GALLIMORE-TALLEN William (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 20. MINOTT Kamal (EASTERN)
- 22. DOHERTY Nathan (YORKSHIRE)
- 23. THOMPSON Daniel (NORTH EAST)
- 24. KURIHARA Rio (SOUTH WEST)
- 25. WINNEY Edward (YORKSHIRE)
- 26. O'HARA Oscar (SOUTH EAST)
- 27. BROWN Stephen (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- 28. HOUGHTON Jacob (WALES)

- 29. GWYNNE Kristofer (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- 30. DE ROOY UNDERHILL Pieter (SOUTH EAST)
- 31. LI Michael (SOUTH EAST)
- 32. SPENCER-TAYLOR Alex (YORKSHIRE)

Boys U12 Foil (68)

- 1. KISS Daniel (NORTH WEST)
- 2. SUDDERICK Felix (SOUTHERN)
- 3= CLARKE Pearce (EASTERN)
- 3= DOLAN George (WALES)
- 5. WOOLLEY Aidan (LONDON)
- 6. BIRD Harry (LONDON)
- 7. STEWART Jacob (LONDON)
- 8. FEASTER Robert (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 9. THEOTOKIS Clemente (LONDON)
- 10. STEVENS Josh (SOUTH WEST)
- 11. HAMMOND Jojo (LONDON)
- 12. ARCHER Ciaran (EASTERN)
- 13. HUGHES Andrew (SOUTH EAST)
- 14. BACHELARD BAKAL Alexander (LONDON)
- 15. MENSAB Benjamin (LONDON)
- 16. HATELEY Lucas (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 17. COTTON Alexander (JERSEY)
- 18. CORUM Miles (SOUTH WEST)
- 19. DULAC Joseph (LONDON)
- 20. DICKINSON Nathan (EASTERN)
- 21. WHELAN Roo (SOUTH WEST)
- 22. DE-ALMEIDA Dominic (LONDON)
- 23. COOK Noah (EASTERN)
- 24. DEERING Maximilian (SOUTH EAST)
- 25. LITTLE Jonathan (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- 26. BODELS Jake (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- 27. FOLEY Fergus (SOUTHERN)
- 28. WEBSTER Connor (YORKSHIRE)
- 29. ATKIN Sam (YORKSHIRE)
- 30. PAGE James (EASTERN)
- 31. BATES Ben (SOUTH WEST)
- 32. SADEGHPOOR Kyle (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)

Girls U18 Foil (29)

- 1. MANIKUM-HANNAY Georgia (SOUTH WEST)
- 2. HYMAN Amy (LONDON)
- 3= MASON Anita (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 3= WILTSHIRE Laura (SOUTH WEST)
- 5. KERR Hannah (EASTERN)
- 6. MULLINS Genevieve (EASTERN)
- 7. HAMSON Rachael (EAST MIDLANDS)
- 8. MASON Sophie (NORTH WEST)
- 9. FRANCIS Raelle (LONDON)
- 10. LISSMAN Rebecca (EASTERN)
- 11. CHANG Caitlin (YORKSHIRE)
- 12. GILMOUR Natasha (LONDON)
- 13. JOHNSON Rowena (SOUTH WEST)
- 14. PEARCE Madison (SOUTH WEST)
- 15. McLEAN Elizabeth (SOUTHERN)
- 16. DRUMMOND Ambreen (LONDON)

Girls U16 Foil (37)

- 1. KUBLER Ife (EASTERN)
- 2. KING Leah (LONDON)
- 3= COLLISTER Stephanie (WALES)
- 3= McDERMOTT Chiara (SOUTH EAST)
- 5. DICKSON Chloe (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- 6. POWELL Elizabeth (WEST MIDLANDS)

- 7. KEYS Olivia (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 8. DUXBURY Victoria (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- 9. McCLELLAND Lara (NORTH EAST)
- 10. PEKER Cecilia (LONDON)
- 11. FITTON Alexandra (NORTH WEST)
- 12. BEAVER Elizabeth (EASTERN)
- 13. ELLIS Samantha (EAST MIDLANDS)
- 14. RICH Elaria (SOUTHERN)
- 15. NOBLE Madelaine (YORKSHIRE)
- 16. WARNER Bethany (YORKSHIRE)

Girls U14 Foil (49)

- 1. STANIER Lydia (SOUTHERN)
- 2. FIHOSY Ayesha (SOUTH EAST)
- 3= CLARKE Jade (SOUTH WEST)
- 3= CORMACK Eleanor (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 5. LING Evangeline (LONDON)
- 6. BEARDMORE Kate (LONDON)
- 7. KURTIS Emma (YORKSHIRE)
- 8. PHILLIPSON Elsa (EASTERN)
- 9. GUNDRY Jessica (SOUTH WEST)
- 10. FERRIS Issie (NORTH WEST)
- 11. RICE Ella (SOUTH EAST)
- 12. SMITH Katie (SCOTLAND EAST)
- 13. CHART Yvonne (SOUTH WEST)
- 14. MOSS Amber (YORKSHIRE)
- 15. DAYKIN Kate (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- 16. MULLINS Chloe (EASTERN)
- 17. SUDDERICK Zoe (SOUTHERN)
- 18. STAPLES Victoria (EASTERN)
- 19. MORRISON Ailsa (SCOTLAND EAST)
- 20. DULAC Emma (SOUTH EAST)
- 21. EDWARDS Asha (NORTH EAST)
- 22. SOUTHALL Ella (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 23. WELSH Francesca (NORTH EAST)
- 24. DARBY Olivia (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 25. STANDING Isobel (LONDON)
- 26. BRENDLER-SPAETH Celine (WALES)
- 27. WILLIAMS Rebecca (WALES)
- 28. GWILLIM-THOMAS Rose (SOUTHERN)
- 29. SMITH Alexandra (SOUTH WEST)
- 30. LINTON Ceri (YORKSHIRE)
- 31. PERFETTINI Zoe (YORKSHIRE)
- 32. SHIRLEY-PRIEST Harriet (WEST MIDLANDS)

Girls U12 Foil (47)

- 1. PANDE Avni (YORKSHIRE)
- 2. LOVE Jessica (EASTERN)
- 3= CAMPBELL Yasmin (LONDON)
- 3= HING Sarah (SOUTH EAST)
- 5. ELLIS Bethany (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 6. LLOYD Sasha (LONDON)
- 7. DUGGAN Lauren (NORTH WEST)
- 8. CORBY Jessica (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- 9. SHAW Rachel (EASTERN)
- 10. WHITFIELD Madeleine (NORTH EAST)
- 11. CHILD Catherine (EASTERN)
- 12. McMILLAN Gorgia (NORTH EAST)
- 13. BERNAY Emma (LONDON)
- 14. BRADLEY Laura (NORTH WEST)
- 15. WEBB Georgia (NORTH EAST)
- 16. ARCHER Jessica (NORTH WEST)

Boys U18 Epee (41)

- 1. HAY Chris (SOUTH WEST)
- 2. HOULIHAN Jonathan (WEST MIDLANDS)
- 3= EDWARDS Tom (SOUTH EAST)
- 3= FREWIN James (SOUTH EAST)



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Women's Foil

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10.30

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Men's Epee
Women's Epee
Men's Sabre
Women's Sabre

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09.30
11.00
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09.30
10.00
11.30
12.30

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- LEPLEY Adam (EASTERN)
- PLUMB Oliver (SOUTH EAST)
- KIRKMAN Christopher (SOUTH EAST)
- PHILLIPSON Andrew (EASTERN)
- GULLIVER Harry (SOUTHERN)

Boys U16 Epee (41)

- CAPERIN-BURGESS Aubrey (YORKSHIRE)
- RAPSON Alex (WEST MIDLANDS)
- JOYNER Joe (SOUTH EAST)
- SANCHEZ-LETHEM Paul (LONDON)
- PAIGE Alexander (SOUTHERN)
- GERMANY William (NORTH EAST)
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- SALLONS Alexander (SOUTHERN)

Boys U14 Epee (48)

- NICHOLS Harrison (SOUTH EAST)
- ANDREWS Tim (SOUTH WEST)
- HORNBY Edgar (SOUTHERN)
- WORMAN Craig (SOUTH WEST)
- McGLADE Daniel (SOUTH EAST)
- ATKIN Ben (YORKSHIRE)
- HARRIS Hugo (SOUTHERN)
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- STIGANT Liam (SOUTH EAST)
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- SANDERS Alexander (LONDON)
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- REILLY Ahron (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- WOODLEY William (SOUTH WEST)
- HOFFMANN Tom (SCOTLAND NORTH)

Boys U12 Epee (38)

- WHELAN Roo (SOUTH WEST)
- STEVENS Joshua (SOUTH WEST)
- CLAYTON-HOLDER Zachary (SOUTHERN)
- DULAC Joseph (LONDON)
- DICKINSON Matthew (NORTH EAST)
- WHITELAW Adam (SOUTH EAST)
- MAYLE William (SOUTHERN)
- HUGHES Andrew (SOUTH EAST)
- HOLT Oscar (EASTERN)
- ATKIN Sam (YORKSHIRE)
- FARMER Jonathan (SOUTH EAST)
- VIGAR Harry (SOUTH WEST)
- THOMPSON Sam (NORTH WEST)
- DICKSON Thomas (NORTH EAST)
- CUMMINS Ryan (JERSEY)
- MORRIS George (WALES)

Girls U18 Epee (25)

- CHANG Caitlin (YORKSHIRE)
- DENHAM Antonia (SOUTH WEST)
- BARRINGTON Georgie (SOUTH WEST)
- TOWNSEND Sophie (SOUTH WEST)
- KETTLE Gabriella (WEST MIDLANDS)
- BOWERS Jacquelynne (SOUTHERN)
- HENSHALL Lucy (WEST MIDLANDS)
- JOWSEY Molly (YORKSHIRE)
- HARVEY Abigail (NORTH EAST)
- GREENAN Emily (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- WEDGE-THOMAS Bryony (SOUTH WEST)
- GALTRY Jodie (YORKSHIRE)
- STIRLING Morven (SCOTLAND EAST)
- SMYTH Gabriella (NORTH EAST)
- ANGUS Bethany (SCOTLAND EAST)
- HARRIS Fiona (YORKSHIRE)

Girls U16 Epee (38)

- RADFORD Amy (WEST MIDLANDS)
- McKINNON Leonora (SOUTHERN)
- DICKSON Chloe (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- MAYLE Rebecca (SOUTHERN)
- POWELL Elizabeth (WEST MIDLANDS)
- JONES Caitlin (SOUTHERN)
- WARDLE Charlotte (SOUTH EAST)
- OKWOROBU Elizabeth (SOUTH EAST)
- GREETHAM Sadie (YORKSHIRE)
- PIPES Laura (YORKSHIRE)
- JACKSON Anna (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- HUTTER Clara (SOUTH EAST)
- McSORLEY Eimile (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- DWORKIN Sasha (EASTERN)
- IRWIN Ellie (SOUTH EAST)
- DAVIES-GREGORY Katie (SOUTH WEST)

Girls U14 Epee (42)

- GUNDRY Jessica (SOUTH WEST)
- SUMMERS Francesca (SOUTH EAST)
- CORMACK Eleanor (WEST MIDLANDS)

- STRATFORD Miranda (NORTH WEST)
- MORRIS Leah (SOUTH EAST)
- LAMBERT Justine (SCOTLAND EAST)
- BEARDMORE Kate (LONDON)
- SANCHEZ-LETHEM Sara (LONDON)
- GRIFFIN Katy (SOUTH EAST)
- PHILLIPSON Elsa (EASTERN)
- PIPES Georgia (YORKSHIRE)
- STANIER Lydia (SOUTHERN)
- LOWREY Zoe (SOUTH EAST)
- DAYKIN Kate (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- SOUTHALL Ella (WEST MIDLANDS)
- BOYLE Hannah (EAST MIDLANDS)

Girls U12 Epee (33)

- HIDE Amelia (YORKSHIRE)
- WIGHTWICK Amelia (LONDON)
- DE LIEDEKERKE Larissa (LONDON)
- TRENCHARD Lily-Mae (GUERNSEY)
- BERRY Olivia (LONDON)
- SIMMS-LYMN Tia (SOUTH WEST)
- POPLAWSKA Agata (EAST MIDLANDS)
- HORNBY Odette (SOUTHERN)
- DUTHEIL Guenola (LONDON)
- HIND Ellie (NORTH EAST)
- PLANT Bethany (SOUTH WEST)
- LLOYD Sasha (LONDON)
- McGONAGLE Rosie (NORTHERN IRELAND)
- DICKSON Lauren (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- HIDE Victoria (YORKSHIRE)
- DUGGAN Lauren (NORTH WEST)

Boys U18 Sabre (33)

- AIYENURO Soji (LONDON)
- MILLER Curtis (LONDON)
- SIMMONS John (WEST MIDLANDS)
- SLANKARD Kirk (SOUTH EAST)
- FOTHERBY Will (SOUTHERN)
- BOTELER Harry (SOUTHERN)
- LAWRENCE Chris (EAST MIDLANDS)
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- BALES Michael (EASTERN)
- HUMFRESS Alex (WEST MIDLANDS)
- JENNINGS Patrick (NORTH WEST)
- DIXON Stuart (SOUTH WEST)
- MORRIS Sam (YORKSHIRE)
- WEISSER Constantin (SOUTH WEST)
- BRITTON Gregory (EAST MIDLANDS)

Boys U16 Sabre (39)

- HORRIX Jack (LONDON)
- ROGERSON Noah (SOUTH WEST)
- ARTESI Fabio (LONDON)
- GANDER-COMPTON Jacob (SOUTH EAST)
- POTTER James (WALES)
- WILLIAMS Nicholas (EASTERN)
- McPHERSON Robert (SOUTH WEST)
- BETTLE William (EASTERN)
- WILLIAMS Gruffydd (WALES)

- SCOTT Stuart (NORTH EAST)
- AHEARNE Niall (SOUTHERN)
- ARTESI Gianfranco (LONDON)
- DOWSE Niall (SOUTH EAST)
- VEITCH Robert (NORTH WEST)
- EDMUNDSON Sam (SOUTH EAST)
- WILLIAMSON Andrew (SCOTLAND EAST)

Boys U14 Sabre (41)

- DEARY William (SOUTH WEST)
- WEBB Jonathan (SOUTH EAST)
- AMSALEM Rubin (LONDON)
- HOSKING William (SOUTH WEST)
- WOODBURN Fraser (SOUTH WEST)
- MOORE William (LONDON)
- BLAYLOCK Christopher (SOUTH EAST)
- ALLEN Joshua (LONDON)
- MAXWELL Joshua (SOUTH WEST)
- VAN NIEUWERBURGH Christian (WEST MIDLANDS)
- BURTON George (EAST MIDLANDS)
- SPOOR Josh (LONDON)
- SIMMONS Peter (WEST MIDLANDS)
- KURIHARA Rio (SOUTH WEST)
- CLOUGHLEY Connor (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
- CHEUNG Joshua (NORTHERN IRELAND)

Boys U12 Sabre (39)

- CRAZE Jamie (SOUTH WEST)
- HAWKER John (SOUTH EAST)
- AMSALEM Eden (LONDON)
- CUMMINS Ryan (JERSEY)
- PARDOE-COLLINS Kian (SOUTH WEST)
- ROONEY Samuel (LONDON)
- JOPLING Nathan (YORKSHIRE)
- HAMMOND Jojo (LONDON)
- HYDE Matthew (SCOTLAND NORTH)
- SMITH George (WEST MIDLANDS)
- LINDSAY Christian (LONDON)
- VIGOR Harry (SOUTH WEST)
- PARSONS Rory (SOUTHERN)
- ANDRE Jacques (EAST MIDLANDS)
- TROUILLE Stephane (YORKSHIRE)
- FOLEY Ciaran (WALES)

Girls U18 Sabre (14)

- SOSNOWSKA Izabella (LONDON)
- PRADHAN Jzuee (SOUTHERN)
- HARRIS Philippa (YORKSHIRE)
- PICKERING Nicole (SCOTLAND EAST)
- PLEASANT Bridget (YORKSHIRE)
- WHITE Lucy (SOUTH WEST)
- WILSON Becky (YORKSHIRE)
- CUMMING Catriona (SOUTHERN)

Girls U16 Sabre (23)

- ITZKOWITZ Aliya (LONDON)
- CARSON Victoria (EASTERN)
- NOREJKO Teresa (WALES)
- RUAUX Emily (NORTH WEST)
- DIXON Harriet (SOUTH WEST)
- HOUSEMAN Gabriella (SOUTHERN)
- BILLINGTON Lizzie (WEST MIDLANDS)
- YATES Georgia (SOUTH EAST)

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Girls U14 Sabre (18)

1. ALLEN Sophie (SOUTH WEST)
2. TURNBULL Isabel (SOUTH EAST)
- 3= LEWIS Jessica (SOUTHERN)
- 3= LUCAS Bethan (EAST MIDLANDS)
5. DAYKIN Kate (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
6. SLEEMAN Kiera (SOUTH WEST)
7. BANKS Paisley (SOUTH WEST)
8. COOPER Poppie (SOUTH EAST)

Girls U12 Sabre (17)

1. ANIL Shreya (WEST MIDLANDS)
2. CHART Maria (SOUTH WEST)
- 3= MAXWELL Caitlin (SOUTH WEST)
- 3= McDONALD Xavia (SOUTH EAST)
5. STEVENS Miranda (SOUTH EAST)
6. ROSCOE Sophie (WEST MIDLANDS)
7. SMITH Rhiannon (SOUTHERN)
8. ECCLES Megan (NORTH WEST)

FOIL – ABROAD

ESPINHO: 13.3.10

Men's Senior World Cup (124)
L16 – Rhys Melia

MELUN: 3.4.10

Men's Masters
2nd – Richard Kruse

SHANGHAI: 30.4.10

Men's Grand Prix (118)
L16 – Richard Kruse, Laurence Halsted

SEOUL: 9.5.10

Men's Senior World Cup (75)
2nd – Richard Kruse
L8 – Laurence Halsted, Ed Jefferies

TOKYO: 14.5.10

Men's Grand Prix (114)
3rd – Laurence Halsted

ST PETERSBURG: 24.5.10

Men's Grand Prix (114)
2nd – Richard Kruse

FOIL – HOME

BRITISH U10 CHAMPIONSHIPS: 22.5.10

Boys (35)

1. FUSAI Niccolo (LONDON)
2. DEERING Maximilian (SOUTH EAST)
- 3= BOERICKE Reef (LONDON)
- 3= LITTLE Jonathan (N IRELAND)
5. WEBSTER Morgan (YORKSHIRE)
6. RICARD Jules (LONDON)
7. GOODBODY Stanley (LONDON)
8. ELVIDGE Edmund (LONDON)
9. BULL Isaac (YORKSHIRE)
10. MORRISON Duncan (SCOTLAND CENTRAL)
11. SANDERS George (LONDON)
12. JACKSON Henry (LONDON)
13. TAYLOR Richard (LONDON)
14. ASHBY Douglas (LONDON)
15. VAUGHAN-WILLIAMS Harry (SOUTHERN)
16. NJAMFA Arthur (LONDON)

Girls (20)

1. CAMPBELL Yasmin (LONDON)
2. BUNOLA-HADFIELD Elena (YORKSHIRE)
- 3= HARDIE Heloise (SOUTHERN)
- 3= POWELL Alexandra (WEST MIDLANDS)

5. MOUAZIZ Kamilia (LONDON)
6. CAMPBELL Alice (EASTERN)
7. FLACK Samantha (SOUTHERN)
8. FINCHAM Samantha (WALES)

EPEE – ABROAD

SYDNEY: 22.5.10

Men's World Cup (71)
7th – Jon Willis

EPEE – HOME

ELITE EPEE MEN'S OPEN: 18.4.10 (89)

1. GERRARD Alastair (HAVERSTOCK)
2. THOMAS Gareth (TIGER)
- 3= LISTON George (RAF)
- 3= THORNTON James (HAVERSTOCK)
5. BURKHALTER Marc (U/A)
6. LAZZATI Alessandro (HAVERSTOCK)
7. TREDGER Dudley (CRAWLEY)
8. STEWART-WATSON David (PLYMOUTH)
9. PERRY Nick (HAVERSTOCK)
10. HOWSER Chris (REDHILL & REIGATE)
11. PIEDELEU Benoit (3 BLADES)
12. SANCHEZ-LETHEM Paul (BRIXTON)
13. EDWARDS Tom (REDHILL & REIGATE)
14. FREWIN James (REDHILL & REIGATE)
15. RIDLEY Sam (NEWCASTLE)
16. SKIPP Michael (HAVERSTOCK)
17. BENNETT Thomas (LTFC)
18. CADMAN Tom (LTFC)
19. ALLEN Greg (HAVERSTOCK)

20. NICHOLLS Taran (REDHILL & REIGATE)

21. BATEMAN Steven (READING)
22. TANNOCK Niell (ABERDEEN)
23. BRADLEY Jonathan (LTFC)
24. CULLING Andrew (HAVERSTOCK)
25. BLENCH Toby (HAVERSTOCK)
26. HARRIS James (PLYMOUTH)
27. ALLEN James (LTFC)
28. HARRINGTON James (CARDIFF)
29. PAIGE Alex (EDHAM)
30. JOWITT John (BRUNEL UNI)
31. FLATT Robert (PLYMOUTH)
32. FRANCISCI Thomas (BEAUMONT)

SABRE – ABROAD

LAMEZIA TERME: 12.3.10

Women's Senior Grand Prix (99)
L16 – Chrystall Nicoll, Louise Bond-Williams

KLAGENFURT: 25.4.10

Women's Senior World Cup (42)
3rd – Chrystall Nicoll
L8 – Jo Hutchison

PATTAYA CITY: 1.5.10

Men's Senior World Cup (44)
L16 – Alex O'Connell

KOBLENZ: 15.5.10

Women's Senior Candidature A (71)
3rd – Chrystall Nicoll
L16 – Jo Hutchison, Louise Bond-Williams

HAVANA: 5.6.10

Women's Senior World Cup (47)
L16 – Chrystall Nicoll, Jo Hutchison

**CAMBRIDGE LEON PAUL FOIL:
Saturday 6th November 2010**

**Venue: Cambridge Regional College, Kings Hedges
Campus, Cambridge CB4 2QT**

Events: U9 - U11 - U13 - U15 Boys/Girls

Check-in times: see website

Entry Fee: £15

Closing Date: 23rd October 2010

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The 2nd Allstar Cup

(The Leicester Open)

Sat 16 & Sun 17 October 2010

W J Sports Centre, University of Wolverhampton,
Walsall Campus, Gorway Road, Walsall, WS1 3BD

Events

Check-in closes

Saturday 16 October 2010

Men's Foil	08.30
Women's Foil	09.30
Men's Sabre	13.00
Wheelchair competition (3 weapon)	10.00

Sunday 17 October 2010

Men's Epee	08.30
Women's Epee	10.30
Women's Sabre	13.00



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http://www.wlv.ac.uk/PDF/uow_wals_campus_map.pdf shows a map of the campus. Entrance to the campus will be in the bottom right corner of this map, via Magdalene Rd.

Parking will be on the temporary car park which is located on the football pitch (this is the large blank area on the map, just adjacent to Magdalene Rd).

This temporary car park holds 235 cars and is free!

Notes: All entrants must be current members of the BFA (or home Countries registration).
Check-in with current membership card only.

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Fencers must be born in 1997 or earlier to fence in this competition.
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Weapon Entry fee Enclosed £.....

Fencer: Surname..... Forename..... Club.....

BFA, etc number..... Date of Birth.....
(age restriction – DoB must be declared, please)

Address.....

Telephone..... e-mail

All entries are accepted on the understanding that the organizing committee, officials, referees, sponsors and the University of Wolverhampton cannot be held responsible for any accident, loss or damage to persons or property, however sustained, at the tournament.

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