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WELCOME TO ISSUE THREE

This is the third of SCFU's newsletters. This a forum for Surrey fencers to post news of competition results, forthcoming competitions and any social events you may want to publicise. Do get in touch with your stories and pictures and we'll try and include them in the next issue

Events coming up

- Surrey Team Foil at St Peters on 15th January
- Surrey Youth Championships at Epsom College on 22nd January
- 2011 South East Region Epée and Sabre on 29th January

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Reports from...

- The Captain's Cup
- The Barwell Cup
- Surrey team foil
- The Wimbledon Invitation team challenge

Contact us

If you have any news and pictures of competitions or upcoming events which you'd like to see in this newsletter please email mark_s_richardson@btinternet.com with Allez in the subject panel

Tim scores the winning point against Stephan in an exciting final



2011 Surrey épée

16 fencers took part in the Surrey County Fencing Union épée competition in Wimbledon this September



Erika, Sam...



...Ian, Tim, Stephan and David, the Surrey épée medalists

This year there were only 16 fencers taking part in the individual épée competition in Wimbledon College. The two women, CdA's **Erika Czerny** and Epsom's **Sam Stevenson**, fenced in the two rounds of poules with the men but had their own DE resulting in a win for Sam. The men fought it out in intensely competitive DEs with Tim Buzwell from Wimbledon beating Kingston's **Ian de Whalley** for a place in the final and Haverstock's **Stephan Munn** beating **David Lowe** from Streatham. There was plenty of **Stephan Munn's** trademark shouting in the final which he lost to **Tim Buzwell** who took gold for third consecutive year.

More photographs can be found on www.SurreyFencing.com

MEN	NAME	CLUB
1	Tim Buzwell	Wimbledon
2	Stephan Munn	Haverstock
=3	David Lowe	Streatham
=3	Ian de Whalley	Kingston
5	Tom Lowe	Streatham
6	Tim Schofield	Guildford
7	James Hamilton	Wimbledon
8	Roger Barnes	Streatham
9	Mark Richardson	Wimbledon
10	Alex Wilson	Epsom
11	Steve Giddings	Wimbledon
12	Simon White	Wimbledon
13	Jonathan Horrocks	Epsom
WOMEN	NAME	CLUB
1	Sam Stevenson	Epsom
2	Erika Cserny	Club des Artistes



Josh and Achot put their heads together in the foil final

2011 Surrey foil

There was an exciting SCFU foil competition in Wimbledon College this November



Erika scores a hit against Chiara



Joshua, Achot, Karsten and Warren...



...Erika, Chiara, Rebecca and Emma



Josh v Karsten



Rebecca v Chiarrà

MEN	NAME	CLUB
1	Joshua Freeman-Birch	Streatham
2	Achot Tchatoian	Wimbledon
=3	Warren Freeman-Birch	Streatham
=3	Karsten Middleton	Wimbledon
5	David Lowe	Streatham
6	James Hamilton	Wimbledon
7	James Nye	Surrey Sword
8	Joseph Kilroy	Salle Coton
9	Robert Spencer	Surrey University
10	Richard Hall	Guildford
11	Matthew Gourlay	Guildford
WOMEN	NAME	CLUB
1	Chiara McDermott	Surrey Sword
2	Erika Cserny	Club des Artistes
=3	Emma Burton	Wimbledon
=3	Rebecca Smethurst	Surrey University

15 fencers were at Wimbledon College on the 6th of November for the Surrey Individual foil competition. Streatham and Wimbledon cleared up the men's medals with Streatham brothers, **Joshua Freeman-Birch** winning gold and younger brother **Warren** winning bronze. Wimbledon's **Achot Tchatoian** won silver

and newcomer **Karsten Middleton** took bronze in his first ever competition. **Chiara McDermott** from Surrey Sword won gold in the women's with CdA's **Erika Cserny** winning another silver. Wimbledon's **Emma Burton** and University of Surrey's **Rebecca Smethurst** won bronze.

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Dramatic Surrey Sabre event

Simon White reports on the Surrey Sabre competition at Wimbledon College

Eleven fencers assembled for the Surrey Individual Sabre championship on 6 November. A touch of glamour from the international fencing circuit was lent by the presence of Surrey University's Romanian international **Mihail Alexandru Bela**,

currently ranked 194 in the world. Two rounds of poules gave everybody the chance to experience a wide variety of sabre fencing and refereeing styles. With **Steve Pope**, a nationally ranked sabreur, in the other half of the draw the identity of the finalists was never in serious doubt but the DEs were hard fought with **Richard Hall** (Guildford) and **Robert Spencer** (Surrey Univ) coming through to the last four. The final, ably and firmly refereed by Derek Groves, was a dramatic spectacle. Pope pushed as hard as he could on his return from injury and Bela had to raise his game but his control of distance and fast, precise blade gave him a clear victory. **Rebecca Smethurst** of Surrey University took the ladies title.



MEN	NAME	CLUB
1	Mihail Alexandru Bela	University of Surrey
2	Stephen Pope	University of Surrey
=3	Richard Hall	Guildford
=3	Robert Spencer	University of Surrey
5	Michael Xufu Huang	Dulwich College
6	Matthew Gourlay	Guildford
7	Aidan Patrick	Dulwich College
8	Derek Groves	Kingston
9	Simon White	Wimbledon
10	Roger Barnes	Streatham
WOMEN	NAME	CLUB
1	Rebecca Smethurst	University of Surrey

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Stephen, Mihail, Rebecca, Richard and Robert with their medals

Fencing competition for health professionals

Surrey sabreur, Kevin Alexander, tells *Allez* how he won gold at the World Medical and Health games in Croatia in 2010

The World Medical and Health games ('medigames') are open to anyone in healthcare professions, i.e. doctors, nurses, dentists, Vets, chiropodists, physiotherapists, lab technicians, etc. Entrants compete in different age categories: A (under 35), B (35-45), C (45-55), D (55-65) and E (65+).

I am a Biomedical scientist working in London. So far, I have attended two medigames: Germany in 2008, and Croatia in 2010. There were 7 entrants for men's sabre, across all age groups, with four countries represented: Germany, France, Italy and Great Britain.

After the poule stage, I emerged as number 2 ranked fencer. After a tense 10-9 tussle, I was up against a retired German doctor in the Semi- final. This fight was won 10-3, as I faced French chiropodist, Xavier Blanche, in a very intense final, but after establishing an early lead, the score was 10-7 to me, and I won gold.

I would recommend the medigames, as they are a friendly, but competitive event. I look forward to going to the medigames in 2012 in Istanbul!

Details can be found on the website <http://www.medigames.com>





NATIONAL ACADEMY TRAINING DAY

Surrey fencers Charlotte Wardle, (Reigate & Redhill) epee & Lorna Martin (Guildford HS) foil were among the fencers at the National Academy Brunel training day on 26th June. The themes for the day were "focus" with a presentation by psychologist & fencing master Dr Jonathan Katz, and tactical use of ripostes with weapon coaches Pierre Harper (foil), Pavel Rynes (epee) and Rob Partridge (sabre).

More information and application for the National Academy can be found at www.britishfencing.com/academy/academy-talent-development/ or contact Jes smith, Lead Coach, National Academy Brunel.

SURREY & LOCAL FIXTURE LIST 2012

JANUARY

15 Team Foil St Peters

22 Surrey Youth Championships
Epsom College

29 2011 South East Region
Epée and Sabre Kent
CFU

FEBRUARY

04 South East Region BYC
Sabre Kent (Eltham College)

19 South East Region BYC
U12 U14 U16 Foil
Ashtead CLFS

MARCH

11 South East Region BYC
Epée Epsom Cpllege

25 Wimbledon Invitation
Team Challenge
Wimbledon Fencing Club

APRIL

15 Ridley Martin (venue TBA)

MAY 2012

13 Excalibur inter-county
Team competition
(by invitation only)

20 Surrey Team Epée
St Peters, Guildford

JUNE 2012

24 Surrey One hit Epée
Individual & Team of 3
Surrey Sports Park

24 South East Region Foil
not yet open to entries

Check our website for the latest competition news and details of these events
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