

## NSWFA Member Bulletin

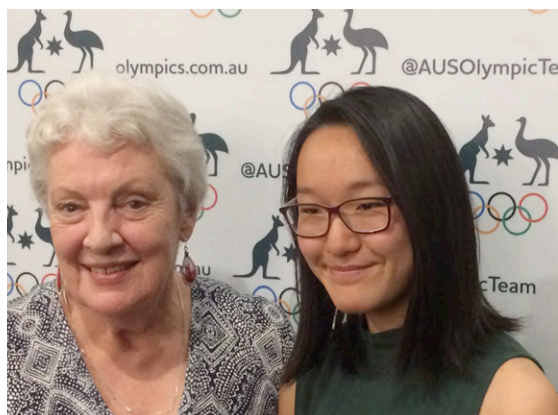
April 2018

### CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER!



**Robert Ciccarelli** qualified to represent Australia at foil in the 2018 Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aires by virtue of his result at the recent World Cadet Championships in Verona. Robert placed 48/139 to take the spot open to Oceania.

Robert shares the honour of representing Australia/Oceania with Victorian foilist Giorgia Salmas.



**Katherine Wang** is one of ten young athletes to be awarded a \$1,500 NSW Olympic Council grant. Katherine received her award from the NSWOC President, Helen Brownlee.



**Andrey Tyshchenko** topped a field of 59 to win gold in Veteran's Foil at the April North American Cup in Richmond, Virginia. It's the second time Andrey has won an NAC veteran's competition.

#### **GOOD SHOWING BY NSW FENCERS AT AFC3**



NSW sabreurs (from left) James Siu (silver), Ethan Pastore (gold), Nicholas Pastore and Jack Snell (bronze) scoop the medals in Open Men's Sabre at AFC#1 in Brisbane.



**NSW fencers (from left) Sian Webster (silver), Sam Auty (gold), Caitlin Fox-Harding (bronze) dominate Open Women's Sabre.**

Other NSW fencers to win medals at AFC#1 were:

Sam Mooney Grand (bronze) in Men's Open Foil

Lisa Gemmell (bronze) in Open Women's Epee

Freya Clarke and Violet Hull (bronze) in Open Women's Foil

Andrey Tyshchenko (gold), Adam Reynolds (silver), Vince Newton (bronze) in Veteran Men's Foil

Julia Lyaschenko (gold), Annabelle Ballard (bronze & 60+ gold) in Veteran Women's Foil

Sarah Osvath (gold), Julie Seggie (bronze) in Veteran Women's Epee

Du Min Yi (gold), Melissa Yeung (silver), Harriet Jordan (bronze) in Veteran Women's Sabre

Daive Wheeler (silver), Radu Vintila (bronze) in Veteran Men's Sabre

## **U23 NATIONALS MEDALLISTS**

At the Australian Under 23 Championships in Brisbane, Mark Morris (left) made the final and secured a silver medal while Karen Nonis (pictured with her dad Chris) collected bronze.





## OUR YOUNG FENCERS STEP ONTO WORLD STAGE

In April a large contingent of young NSW fencers competed for Australia at the 2018 Junior and Cadet World Championships in Verona, Italy. It was an amazing experience for the competitors and their supporters as the competition was fierce; every pool had very strong fencers. We commend all you took on the challenge particularly those who achieved world championship personal bests.



## RANKING REMINDER

NSW fencers competing overseas are reminded that they may be entitled to NSW ranking points in recognition of your result. A list of overseas events that qualify for NSW ranking points is in the [NSWFA Ranking Policy](#) on the [Policies page](#).

## NSWFA SCORES A \$50k GRANT

NSW Fencing has been awarded a \$50,000 grant to make capital improvements to the NSW Fencing Centre this year. The money is being provided under the NSW Government's Sport Development Program.

The Board is now considering which elements of the Capital Works Program can proceed. The Program includes upgrading pistes, improving ventilation and other options. The NSWFA President, Kaye Mahoney, has personally thanked the Minister for Sport, Stuart Ayres, for his approval of our grant application.

## AND A DEFIBRILLATOR

The NSW Fencing Centre will soon be equipped with a defibrillator (heart starter) under a NSW Government program. Well done to Caitlin Fox-Harding who secured the grant. Though let's hope we never have to use it.



## UPCOMING SCHOOL PROGRAM REFEREE CLINIC

The NSW Fencing Centre will host Referee Clinics on Saturday, 9th and 30th of June from 2:30-3:30pm. **\*Free for all who are signed up to the school aged fencing program**  
Please contact the centre manager, Caitlin Fox-Harding, via email ([FencingCentre@nswfencing.org.au](mailto:FencingCentre@nswfencing.org.au)) if you have any further questions.

## SCHOOLS FENCING – TERM 2

The NSW School Age Fencing Program kicks off again on Saturday 5 May after the holiday break. All up, 421 students from 29 schools have entered this year's schools program and there are 56 team entries.

The AFF has published the entry process for the Australian Schools Championships to be held at the NSW Fencing Centre later this year – Senior Individual and Teams on 28/29 July and Intermediate Individual and Teams on 25/26 August.

There have been some changes to the process. For example, there will be two rounds of entries for individual and team events, depending on the number of entries received in the first round.

The pathway to nomination for the Australian Schools Championships is via the NSW School Age Fencing Championships. The top 4 fencers from the national schools individual qualifier (Roberta Nutt) and the top two teams from the team qualifier (AJ Rae/Roseanne White 5 week program) are automatically selected. Other nominations will be based on results.

For more information, see the [AFF Schools Info Sheet](#).

## AGM DATE SET

Members have been sent notice of the NSWFA Annual General Meeting to be held at 4pm on Sunday 3 June. If you haven't received the notice, please contact: [secretary@nswfencing.org.au](mailto:secretary@nswfencing.org.au)

## UPCOMING COMPS

Date	Competition	
12 May	Roberta Nutt Shield – Schools Championships	Senior boy's epee, all ages girl's sabre, all ages girl's epee
13 May	Mini Series #2	U8-U10-U12-U14 foil
19 May	Roberta Nutt Shield – Schools Championships	U14-U16 boy's epee, U16 girl's foil
20 May	Sabre Club Teams	U10-U14
26 May	Schools	
27 May	Wheelchair fencing	Epee-foil-sabre
27 May	President's Cup Dominguez Memorial Novak	Open-veteran foil Open-veteran epee Open-veteran sabre
3 June	U15 State Championships	Epee-foil-sabre
17 June	2018 State Cadet	Epee-foil-sabre

Enter online at: [NSWFA Register/Pay](#) page



**Join Us Now! NSW Gladiator Tour**

**2018 Australian Minime Circuit - Joseph D'Onofrio**  
**Victoria Challenge**  
**Melbourne, Victoria**

NSW Fencing Association is organizing a tour to Melbourne for the  
2018 Vic Challenge

Fencers will enter this event through NSWFA.

A minimal levy will be introduced as NSW aims to send 1 – 3 NSW Coaches to assist  
Fencers at the Championships and also to assist with travel organization.

Vic Challenge U/14 - FOIL, EPEE and SABRE

**Entry & Nomination:**

To register:

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=29724>

NSW Levy:

\$120 per fencer

The Levy goes towards fencer entry and Coach assisted travel

All fencers must be 2018 Junior Registered or Affiliated with NSWFA

Important note:

Registration will close on the **27<sup>th</sup> July**.

Travel information will be sent to fencers once they have registered and paid  
the tour levy.

Contact:

Alex Andre

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*\* Please note these are the minimum requirements, fencers may choose to wear 800NW garments if they wish. \*\* Electric bib masks will not be mandatory in any age group, although fencers may choose to use them.*

#### **TIMETABLE:**

**SATURDAY: TEAMS: ALL TEAMS ARE MIXED AGE & GENDER (bouts of 3 to 27)**

1:30pm Warm up & Roll Call

2:00pm Sabre

2:00pm Foil

3:30pm Epee

#### **SUNDAY: INDIVIDUAL**

9:00am U12 Mixed Epee (Possibly combined poules, separate DE's)

9:00am U14 Men's Foil

10:30am U14 Women's Foil

10:30am U10 Mixed Foil

12:00pm U14 Women's Sabre

12:00pm U14 Men's Sabre

1:00pm (Approx.) LUNCH

1:30 U14 Mixed Epee (Possibly combined poules, separate DE's)

1:30 U12 Mixed Foil (Possibly combined poules, separate DE's)

#### **Entry:**

**\$30.00 up to two individual comps. Includes 1 team entry, also includes BBQ sausage lunch for competitors on Sunday.**

#### **Food and Drink**

All participants are welcome to bring their own food and drink. However Fencing Victoria and our fencing community will be doing a sausage sizzle for your convenience and will also provide a range of snacks.

# 2018 Northern Novice Fencing Tournament

Sunday, June 3rd



**Foil:** 10.00am **Epee:** 1.00pm

**Entry fee:** \$10 per event

*Adults, teens, school age fencers all welcome!*

*\*\* For fencers with 2 years experience or less \*\**

## Contact

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## Venue

**Newcastle PCYC**

Cnr Young & Melbourne Roads  
Broadmeadow, Newcastle

*Fencers must be Junior or Senior Registered  
members of NSW Fencing Association*

*Canteen will be providing  
light refreshments for the  
day*

*Please note entry fees and  
canteen are CASH only.*

