

MEMBER BULLETIN

#6 – 2019

IT'S BEEN A FINE SPELL FOR NSW FENCING



On the world stage, Sholto Douglas finished an impressive 26th at the Senior World Fencing Championships in Budapest narrowly missing the T16 in a tight 14:15 bout against Korea's Son.

We applaud other NSW fencers who gave it their all in the individual comps in Budapest and for some personal bests: In women's foil Violet Hull (96th), Freya Clarke (110th). In men's sabre James Siu (109th) Alexandre Douglas (118th). Caitlin Fox-Harding and Sam Auty in women's sabre.

You have done us proud!



**THIS JUST IN FROM THE 2019 ASIAN VETERAN FENCING CHAMPIONSHIPS
IN TAIPEI. PLENTY OF NSW AUSSIES IN ACTION IN ALL CATEGORIES**



Women's Foil 50+ - Abby Nutt Gold
Men's Epee 50+ Taewon Song 6th
Mens Foil A - Andrey Tyshchenko Gold and Adam Reynolds 5th
Womens Sabre A - Thi Hai Yen Nguyen Gold
Womens Sabre C - Min Yi Du Gold
Womens Epee C - Cath Syme Gold
Womens Epee B Melissa Yeung Gold
Womens Sabre B Melissa Yeung Bronze
Womens Epee B - Abby Nutt Silver
Womens Foil team, bronze goes to Australia A

The results have lifted Australia from 5th to 2nd place in the overall rankings so far. Go Aussies!

SUCCESS FOR NSW FENCERS IN THE WEST

Our fencers won half of the gold medals on offer at AFC#3 in Perth, contesting four of the six Open finals and all six of the Veteran finals.

In the Opens, Karen Nonis in epee, Veronika Vasileva in sabre and Jesse Morris in foil took the top step on the podium. Silver medals were won by Alexandre Douglas in sabre and Sam Mooney Grand in foil. Bronzes went to Erin Bofinger, Krystal Jessup and Matthew Dallasen in foil.

In Veterans, our winners were Melissa Yeung, with double golds in epee and sabre and Andrey Tyshchenko in foil. Silvers were won by for Sarah Osvath in epee, Benita Ramage in foil, George Foster in sabre and Chris Nonis in epee. Bronzes for Colleen Stokes and Adam Reynolds in foil.

Well done all.



Open Women's Epee – Karen Nonis - gold
gold



Open Women's Sabre - Veronika Vasileva -



Open Men's Foil - Jesse Morris – gold,
Samuel Mooney Grand – silver,
Matthew Dallasen - bronze



Open Women's Foil
Erin Bofinger, Krystal Jessup - bronze



Open Men's Sabre - Alexandre Douglas – silver



Veteran Women's Foil – Benita Ramage – silver



Veteran Men's Foil – Andrey Tyshchenko - gold, Adam Reynolds – bronze



Veteran Women's Epee – Melissa Yeung – gold, Sarah Osvath - silver



Veteran Women's Sabre – Melissa Yeung – gold



Veteran Men's Epee – Chris Nonis – silver



Veteran Men's Sabre – George Foster - silver

In the Australian Under 23 Sabre Championships:



U23 Women's Sabre
Veronika Vasileva – gold, Rachel Stanton – bronze



U23 Men's Sabre Dominic Au- Yeung – bronze

Our NSW club teams came home with victories as well!

Open Women's Epee Teams Univ of Syd – silver, UTS – bronze

Open Men's Sabre Teams UTS – bronze

ON THE SCENE IN STATE COMPETITIONS



Our Cadets again won the Janet Hopner-Haswell points trophy at the Australian Cadet Championships – for the 7th year in a row.



Our Under 15's won the Frank Bartolillo Cup at the Australian Under 15 Championships. This trophy has been in NSW hands since it was first presented 5 years ago.



Our Cadet women epeeists made a clean sweep of all the individual medals – Amelia Yee (gold), Katherine Wang (silver), Chloe Cate Burton & Qixuan Sun (bronze).



Likewise, our Cadet women sabreurs took all the medals – Veronika Vasileva (gold), Gaia Hardge (silver), Wenhan Shen & Yelin Zou (bronze).

AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS ARE COMING UP

The Australian Schools Championships are drawing closer with the Senior events to be held on the weekend of 24-25 August and the Intermediate events on the weekend of 14-15 September.

The registration deadline has been extended to the 21st of Aug. Make sure you sign up straight away

To enter go to the AFF website <https://www.ausfencing.org/index.php/event/schools-championships/>

To qualify for the Australian Schools Championships, fencers must have entered the NSW Schools individual qualifier (Roberta Nutt) and the teams qualifier (AJ Rae). If you have any queries, please contact Schools Co-ordinator Jacqueline Fontaine via email: schools@nswfencing.org.au

2019 Australian Senior Schools Championships
NSW Fencing Centre,
Bldg 2, 190 Bourke Road, Alexandria NSW
Saturday 24 August to Sunday 25 August 2019
Competition Program

Friday 23 August 2019

5.00 pm - 7.00 pm Weapons Check

Saturday 24 August 2019

07.00 am - 2.00 pm Weapons Check

08.00 Senior Schools Boys Sabre

08.10 Senior Schools Girls Foil

08.20 Senior Schools Boys Epee

10.30 Senior Schools Girls Sabre

11.45 Senior Schools Boys Foil (will not commence until last competitor also registered in Boys Epee has finished that competition)

12.50 Senior Schools Girls Epee

Sunday 25 August 2019

07.00 am - 1.00 pm Weapons Check

08.00 Senior Schools Girls Epee Teams

08.00 Senior Schools Boys Foil Teams

08.15 Senior Schools Girls Foil Teams

10.00 Senior Schools Girls Sabre Teams

12.30 Senior Schools Boys Epee Teams (matches for any team also registered in Boys Foil Teams will not commence until that team has finished its Boys Foil Teams competition matches)

12.45 Senior Schools Boys Sabre Teams

NSWFC ON CHANNEL 7'S SUNRISE



A million Australians learned something about fencing when Channel 7's Sunrise program crossed live to the NSW Fencing Centre.

Weather presenter Sam Mac interviewed fencers about fencing and gave it a go himself in a short but lively bout with Sholto Douglas, Australia's top-ranked foilist. Sholto did alright with an epee.

With seven live crosses in three hours, it was a good opportunity to show what fencing is all about and that it's an exciting but safe sport for everyone, young and old.

A big thank you to State Epee Coach Simon Capon and his team of fencers - Neve and Nawal O'Neil, Elena Sun, Jean Luc Barbara, Colin Chen, Artemus Vasiliades, Kael Kolodochk, Sholto Douglas, Scott Hull and Duncan Fairweather who braved a very early and very chilly morning to promote our sport.

LIVESTREAMING

NSW Fencing Centre competitions are now being livestreamed regularly to [YouTube link](#) so the fencing community can keep an eye on what's happening. The CCTV cameras covering the main fencing area and finals piste are being used to provide the feed – the CCTV Operational Procedures have been amended to reflect this and can be found on the About/Policies page of the website.

LEVEL 1 GENERAL COACHING COURSE NSW FENCING ASSOCIATION

Registration Closes: Thursday 5th September

Course Dates & Times:

1. "School Coaching"
 - Fencing Program for school
 - Group work development
 - Suitable for School Coaches or Trainee School CoachesSaturday 7th September 9:30 – 1:00pm

2. NSW Coaching Clinic – Foil
 - Suitable for currently accredited Foil CoachesSaturday 21st September 9:30 – 1:00pm

3. NSW Coaching Clinic – Epee
 - Suitable for currently accredited Epee CoachesSaturday 19th October 9:30 – 1:00pm

4. NSW Coaching Clinic – Sabre
 - Suitable for currently accredited Sabre CoachesSaturday 2nd November 9:30 – 1:00pm

5. Practical exam
Saturday 9th November

Time: 9:30 - 1:00pm (Theory)
2:45 - 5:00pm (Practical training– optional)

Venue:

NSW Fencing Centre
Level 1, Building 2
190 Bourke Road
Alexandria
Course Fee: \$450

NSWFA Head Coach will conduct the course, assisted by NSWFA Coaches.

The process for obtaining Level 1 Coaching qualification:

1. NSW "Working With Children Check "
2. First Aid Certificate
3. Participants must be over 16 years of age to be accredited.
4. Attend all course dates (4 x Saturdays)
5. Register on the AFF Fencing Portal (this can be done as a trainee coach & report Coaching Location)
6. 2019 NSW Fencing Association member
7. Complete Australian Sport Commission
"Community Coaching General Principles – Beginner's"
Free – online course <http://www.ausport.gov.au>
8. Perform 30 hours of practical coaching within a 12-month period.
9. Endorse the ASC Code of Ethics & Code of Behaviour, plus complete all necessary paper work for the AFF.
10. Complete written assignment and weapon specific written questions.
11. Coaches under the age of 18 must have a letter from NSWFA stating that they are in good standing – as substitute for WWC.

Registration for the Level 1 Coaching course closes: Thursday 5th September 2019

For enrolment information please contact the NSWFA State Coaching
Director: alexandra.andre70@gmail.com

Registration Link: Level 1 Coaching course
<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=35834>

NSW Fencing is supported by NSW Department of Sport and Recreation www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

GET YOUR WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

Volunteers who work with children (under the age of 18) either in clubs or at the Fencing Centre should have a Working With Children Check. This is free for volunteers and can be applied for online at www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au

Basically, if your volunteer work involves any inter-action with children, you should have a WWCC.

If you would like to help us make sure NSWFA has an effective child protection policy, please consider taking on the important role of Child Protection Director to liaise with the NSW Office of Sport, the NSW Office of the Children's Guardian, advise the NSW Board and work with our Child Protection Officers. Contact secretary@nswfencing.org.au

UPCOMING EVENTS

24 – 25 August	Australian Schools Senior Championships	All weapons/Individual & Teams
24 – 25 August	NSW Gladiator Tour Joseph D'Onofrio-Victoria Challenge	U10/U12/U14 – see flyer below
28 August – 6 September	Talented Fencer Foil Tour/Sabre Development Tour Hong Kong & Bangkok	U10/U12/U14/U16/Cadet/Open Foil
2 – 13 September	Coach Designated Foil Tour Bangkok & Singapore	
7 September	NSW Coaching Clinic	School coaches
8 September	City of Sydney/Allyson Schofield State Competitions	All Weapons – Open & Veterans
14 – 15 September	Australian Schools Intermediate Championships	All weapons/Individual & Teams
21 – 23 September	AFC#4 - Brisbane	Open Foil/Epee/Sabre Veteran Foil/Epee/Sabre
25 – 27 September	AFT/AFS Spring Training Camp	Foil
28 – 29 September	U14 International Grand Prix	U14 Girl's & Boy's Individual and Club Teams. See flyer below.
30 September – 2 October	AFT/AFS Spring Training Camp	Sabre
3 October – 6 October	AFT/AFS Spring Training Camp	Epee
7 – 9 October	NSW Holiday Fencing Camp	See flyer below
13 October & 20 October	NSW State Championships – Mini Series	All Weapons U8/U10/U12/U14 See flyer below

REMINDER - FRIDAY NIGHT CUT-OFF FOR SUNDAY COMPS

NSW fencers can now enter for Sunday competitions by 6pm on the Friday before the event, giving you more flexibility in planning your weekend. After 6pm, late fees apply so please get your entries in before then.



7TH – 9TH OCTOBER

NSW SCHOOL HOLIDAY FENCING CAMP

**Cost per person (includes equipment hire):
\$70 (1-day), \$130 (2-days), \$180 (3-days)**

Register online:

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=35391>

Contact: FencingCentre@nswfencing.org.au



9:30am -3:30pm
Drop off from 9am

All Weapons –
Epee, Foil, & Sabre

Beginners &
Intermediate
(suitable for little
fencers from 6+)

Bring water, lunch,
and your equipment
if you have any or
else it will be
provided

Includes coaching
and electric fencing

NSWFC

Building 2
190 Bourke Rd.
Alexandria 2015

www.nswfencing.org.au



28TH – 29TH SEPTEMBER 2019 SYDNEY U14 INTERNATIONAL GP

Calling all U14 Fencers!

The inaugural 2019 Sydney U14 International Grand Prix is an Individual and Team tournament in Epee, Foil and Sabre.

This event is suitable for Fencers from 2009 – 2005. Fencer will be representing their Club in both the Individual and Team events

Please contact NSW Entries for more information

Entries@nswfencing.org.au

Please note: There is National Foil and Sabre Camp directly before and after (Foil: 25th – 27th Sept / Sabre 30th Sept – 2nd Oct)

Registration Link:

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=34484>

28th Sept Saturday

U14 Boys Foil

Ind & Teams

U14 Girl's Sabre

Ind & Teams

U14 Girl's Epee

Ind & Teams

29th Sept Sunday

U14 Boy's Sabre

Ind & Teams

U14 Boy's Epee

Ind & Teams

U14 Girl's Foil

Ind & Teams

NSW State Minime Equipment
standard will be applied

FIE competition formula will be
used

Gold, Silver & 2 Bronze

5th -8th place Awarded



13TH & 20TH OCTOBER 2019 NSW STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS – MINI SERIES

2019 State Championships

NSW Fencing Association will be hosting the 2019 Mini Series – State Championships

U8, U10, U12 & U14 in all weapons over 2 weekends

This will also include the “Golden Foil” donated by Jeff Hardge

Please contact NSW Entries for more information

Entries@nswfencing.org.au

Registration Link:

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=35394>

Sunday 13th October

U8 & U10 Epee

Boy's & Girl's

U14 Foil

Boy's & Girl's

U8, U10 & U12 Sabre

Boy's & Girl's

Sunday 20th October

U12 & U14 Epee

Boy's & Girl's

U8, U10 & U12 Foil

Boy's & Girl's

U14 Sabre

Boy's & Girl's

NSW Fencing Centre

190 Bourke Road

Alexandria



12TH – 17TH NOVEMBER 2019 KOALA MINI CHALLENGE & FRIENDSHIP CUP

Calling all Minime Fencers!

The 2019 Koala Mini Challenge is coming up soon! With Fencers from all over Australia, Oceania and Asia

Training Camp

Monday 11th November @ NSW Fencing Centre

Koala Mini Challenge

U/8, U/10, U/12 & U/14 Individual Epee, Foil and Sabre

Friendship Team Cup

U/8, U/10, U/12 & U/14 Team Epee, Foil and Sabre
(2019 will hold the inaugural U/8 Team event)

For more information contact

Entries@nswfencing.org.au

12th Nov Tuesday

U/10, U/12 & U/14

Epee & Sabre

Individual

14th Nov Thursday

U/8 Epee, Foil & Sabre

Individual

15th Nov Friday

U/12 BF- U/10 & U/14 GF

Individual

16th Nov Saturday

U/12 GF – U/10 & U/14 BF

Individual

13th Nov Wednesday

U/10, U/12 & U/14

Epee & Sabre Teams

14th Nov Thursday

U/8 Epee, Foil & Sabre Teams

17th Nov Sunday

U/10, U/12 & U/14 Foil Teams