

NVA News



More photos from Dominic Heard at the NVA Nationals

April 2009

*4th Glasgow open
11th Birmingham open
18th Senior Winton cup
25th NVA Quadrangular
26th Crystal Team*

May 2009

*10th Vets Crystal open
16th Sheffield open
19th European Veterans
23rd Chichester open
30th Inverclyde open
30th Oxfam open
31st Oxfam open
31st Hertfordshire open*



YOU ARE INVITED TO:

2° LUGANO CHALLENGE 12-13 September 2009

Open international epee competition Men and Women

Lugano Scherma has been chosen to organize on Sept. 12th and 13th 2009 a tournament for men and women.

The 2° LUGANO CHALLENGE, international epee competition men and women, will be open to the following categories: minimes (born in 1995-1996, epee 90cm), cadets, juniors, senior, master 1 and master 2+3.

We await you in Lugano on Sept. 12th and 13th 2009.

Paolo Bassanini
Lugano Challenge
Director Lugano Challenge
www.luganochallenge.com

Interested in more fencing? There are 10 competitions in the next 4 months that will welcome NVA members. You could fence in Germany, Italy, Holland, Curacao, USA,

See the website for Other Events <http://www.veterans-fencing.co.uk>

SAN FRANCISCO

We are hosting the first ever Senior Games Fencing tournament.

Since it is Demo sport we can invite international fencers as well, see link

http://askfred.net/Events/moreInfo.php?tournament_id=7560 to register for the event.

See 2009 Senior Games link <http://www.2009seniorgames.org/index>

to learn more about the largest sporting competition in the world.



NVA SELECTION: WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

MOSCOW, 24-27 SEPTEMBER 2009

The following selections have been made, based on the NVA selection rules (available on the NVA website or by request to the NVA Secretary).

Please note that selection is subject to the NVA appeals process. Any appeal should be sent to Frank Mills by email or in writing (see newsletter for contact details), to arrive no later than Monday 27 April 2009.

Dave Sweeney is the GB Team Manager and will shortly be writing to all squad members with further information.

NB: Named reserves are non-travelling reserves, but would be called upon in the event of a squad member declining his/her place or dropping out prior to the event.

Men's Foil 50-59	Men's Epee 50-59	Men's Sabre 50-59
John Troiano Paul Sibert Steve Fox Paul Lowen (Res: John Fruen)	Neal Mallett Rob Brooks Jonathan Stanbury John Hyde (Res: Anton Pollard)	Jim Philbin Chris Prevett Carl Morris Barry Coulter (Res: Geoff Silverman)
Men's Foil 60+	Men's Epee 60+	Men's Sabre 60+
Graham Paul Malcolm Fare Brian Causton Malcolm Cawton (Res: Jim Harris)	Ralph Johnson Bill Osbaldeston Howard West Robin Davenport (Res: Graham Paul)	Richard Cohen Richard Bonehill Michael Compton Andy Bornemisza (Res: Peter Baron)
Women's Foil 50-59	Women's Epee 50-59	Women's Sabre 50-59
Hilary Philbin Jane Clayton Jenny Morris Caron Hale (Res: Moya McNamara)	Jane Clayton Jenny Morris Lynne Bornemisza Kate Smith (Res: Hilary Arnold)	Jane Hutchison Jenny Morris Lynne Bornemisza Sue Benney (Res: Yvonne Walls)
Women's Foil 60+	Women's Epee 60+	Women's Sabre 60+
Clare Halsted Lynda Norrie Janet Cooksey Silvia Earl (Res: Maggie Myers)	Janet Cooksey Silvia Brown Kate Elvin Clare Halsted (Res: Silvia Earl)	Carol Wengraf Silvia Earl Vivien Frith Clare Halsted (Res: Sylvia Brown)

**THE NVA PRESENTS
FOR YOUR PLEASURE**



**THE FIRST CRYSTAL OPEN
SUNDAY 10TH MAY
BOOK NOW!!
FOIL AND SABRE ONLY • SEE WEB SITE**

<http://www.veterans-fencing.co.uk/latest.shtml>

**ALSO CRYSTAL REFEREEING DAY
SATURDAY 9TH MAY**

BRUSH UP YOUR SKILLS FANTASTIC ONE DAY REFRESHER COURSE ENTRY FORMS WITH LAST NEWSLETTER ON THE WEB

VETERANS WINTON CUP 2009
12th 13th SEPTEMBER- LILleshall

We are delighted to announce our Veterans Winton Cup 2009 Team Managers.

In no Particular order (dramatic pause)

South West and reigning champions Dave Sweeney	mrdsweeney@hotmail.com
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Yorkshire (so close last year) Moya McNamara	moya.mcnamara@btinternet.com
North East (and all points Norfolk) Carole Seheult	c.seheult@btinternet.com

If you would like to be placed in a team contact your regional manager and they will consider you.

Or ring Linda 01235 530090 or Frank 01908 310516
to express your interest.

Let's make it another great weekend

Linda and Frank

Archie Corble (1883-1944)

Archie Corble became British sabre champion for the second time in 1927 at the age of 44. He had learned to fence as a 19-year-old member of the Artillery Volunteer Force and went on to win the sabre competition at the Royal Military Tournament in 1908. He represented Britain at three Olympics: 1912, 1924 and 1928.

During the First World War Corble was stationed in Luxor, upper Egypt, where he challenged and beat a local champion at single-stick. He returned to England in 1920 and 2 years later became British sabre champion for the first time.

Throughout his career as a chartered surveyor and during his spare time at fencing events, Corble collected the history of fencing. By the Second World War he had amassed the greatest collection of books on fencing and duelling ever assembled – over 2000 volumes. When the great library of the University of Leuven in Belgium was destroyed in both world wars, he felt a strong desire to help and on his death in 1944 he left the university his entire collection of fencing books, where they remain to this day.

Archie Corble's dashing style can be seen in a photograph taken in 1922 at the wedding of former British ladies' champion Millicent Hall, when he staged a mock duel.

Malcolm Fare



NOTABLES- TOP HALF- WELL DONE !!!

Edinburgh Open - 7/3/2009

ME (49)	24	Tom CHRISP
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Nottingham Open - 7/3/2009

MF (84)	3	Lindsay WATKISS
	21	Nick FIHOSY
	29	Paul SIBERT
	32	Malcolm CAWTON
	38	Jeffrey KIY
	39	Jim HARRIS
ME (78)	14	Granville WARD
	27	Tom CHRISP
	31	Rick KENT
	33	Etienne DEBURGH
	38	Max TELFER

Invicta Open - 21/3/2009

MF (92)	10	Brian CAUSTON
	11	Gerry GAJADHARSINGH
	18	Paul BAILLACHE
	39	Jim WHELAN
ME (109)	7	Ralph JOHNSON
	10	Howard WEST
	13	Jeremy RAJ
	35	Andrew RAMSAY
	36	Keith BARNETT
	37	Niall CAMPBELL
	38	Jim PILKINGTON
	53	Ian BRIGGS
MS (49)	17	Carl MORRIS
WF (52)	9	Dawn TOWNSEND
	21	Astrid MERRICK
	25	Jacqueline HIBBERT
WE (52)	6	Mariette MASON
	12	Sara SPENCE
	16	Helen EASTER
	24	Niké AJIBODE
WS (23)	8	Vivien FRITH

Belfast Open - 15/3/2009

WF (13)	6	Isabella CODD
WE (9)	1	Fiona HALDANE

Dear Members,

The NVA year has started well with membership still growing, a record entry for the Age Groups and a very well organised National Championships that ran to the new format of 2 rounds of poules plus DE and gave us some tremendous fights for the titles, and a few new faces.

The standard of fencing that is apparent within the NVA is very high and we will be entering the World Championships in Moscow this year with an excellent opportunity to win yet another clutch of medals and titles. I know that you join me in wishing the team well and thanking the NVA Selectors for some burning of the midnight oil in poring over the selections you can see published in this issue of the Newsletter.

In May, we have another strong contingent at all weapons entering the European Championships in Hungary and again, confidence is high for some good results and medals for GB.

Just before those Championships, we have a new "Open" Tournament just for vets, the Crystal Open, and I would urge you to enter this new event to ensure that it gets off to the best start and becomes an annual event in the NVA calendar.

Also, if you would like to brush up your refereeing skills then why not take part in the course the day before?

Thanks go to those who have recruited new members using the leaflets sent earlier this year and, as we know that there are still fencers of veteran age in clubs around the UK who have not yet joined – "go get 'em"

Finally, Linda and I have started the ball rolling for the 2nd Veterans' Winton Cup in September, and hope that you will join us again for a great weekends fencing.

Best wishes
Frank Mills
Chairman NVA

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