

La Riposte

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CONGRATULATIONS VIVIENNE!

The long and committed contribution of Vivienne to the sport of fencing was formally recognized when she was presented with Honorary Life Membership of the Australian Fencing Federation at the 2012 Australian Cadet & Under 15 Championships held in Sydney earlier this year (she is already an Honorary Life Member of the NSW Fencing Association.) Andrew Lus, the



President of the AFF presented Vivienne with a plaque to commemorate the occasion, and spoke warmly about her contribution over the years to fencing in Australia in front of the competitors, spectators, coaches, parents and officials.

Congratulations from all at The Swords Club, Vivienne.

RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS!

During the London Olympics, Vince and Suzanne Newton held a fencing demonstration for the Girl Guide Unit at Caringbah. For two hours the girls were put through their paces, including footwork exercises, blade work and simple attacks and parries. The demonstration finished with a bout to 5 between Vince and Suzanne.

Meanwhile, Matthew McEwen visited a Neutral Bay pre-school where the children had been watching the Olympics and were fascinated by the fencing. They were engrossed by the demonstration and all had a go at lunging and holding the foils!

IN SHORT

A club member left their TSC tracksuit top at the U/17 State Championships. If it is yours, see Emily Venn or ask Vivienne.

A velcro lame mask bib has been found at the club. Please claim it from Vivienne if it is yours.

If you are interested in learning how to coach fencing, Vivienne is planning to hold another "Learn how to be a Fencing Coach" course starting soon. It involves 15 or so sessions, probably to be held on Saturday afternoons. Please let her know if you want to give it a try.





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2013 – THE 100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE SWORDS CLUB

We are delighted to announce that Stanton Library has agreed to host our 100th Year Anniversary Exhibition. As one of Sydney's premier libraries, we look forward to working with them to put the exhibition together. More details to follow.



FSC Gold: Jackie Budniak, Fiona Budniak, Rose Je Kantzow



FSC Black: Suzanne Newton, Emily Venn and Charlotte Okkes



FSC Gold: Vince Newton, David Grenet, Hayden Raybone

We hope you managed to see some of the action from the Olympics. For a bit of fun, check out this link to see the controversial women's fencing semi-final:

http://apps.facebook.com/theguardian/sport/video/2012/jul/31/brick-womens-fencing-shin-lam-video?fb_source=aggregation&fb_action_types=video.watches

UPCOMING EVENTS

13 th October	U23 State Foil Championships	M 07.50	W 07.50
	U23 State Epee Championships	M 08.00	W 08.00
14 th October	State Open Foil Championships	M 08.45	W 08.45
	State Veteran Foil Championships	M 13.30	W 13.30
21 st October	Gilt U11 Foil	B 09.15	G 09.15
	Gilt U13 Foil	B 12.00	G 12.00
27 th October	Novice Epee	M 08.00	W 08.00
	Novice Foil	M 08.00	W 08.00
28 th October	State Open Epee Championships	M 08.45	W 09.15
	State Veteran Epee Championships	M 13.30	W 13.30

RESULTS

NSW Schools U15 Epee	1 st	Kelvin Peh
Presidents Cup Open Womens Foil	2 nd	Jackie Budniak
Veterans Mens Foil	2 nd	Vince Newton
Veteran Womens Foil	1 st	Fiona Budniak
	2 nd	Suzanne Newton

AFF#3 Perth

In August, three of the Club members crossed Australia to compete in the AFF#3 Tournament in Perth. In the Open Women's Foil, Jackie Budniak came 6th, Fiona Budniak 12th and Suzanne Newton 22nd. The girls joined forces to take silver in the Women's Foil Club Teams competition. Fiona also came 5th in the Veteran Mixed Foil, giving her a placing of 2nd for Veteran Women's Foil. Congratulations to all three.

Club Foil Teams Round Robin Competition

The Swords Club fielded five of the 10 teams competing in this competition held in August, and everyone was particularly impressed with our team of 'young ones' who fenced with fierce bravado and great sportsmanship, taking on older, larger and often more experienced fencers. The TSC Ladies Gold team lived up to their name and won their event!



TSC Black: Keiran Loughlin, Robbie Armstrong, Michael Siebel



TSC The Young Ones: Emmanuel Lapitan, Edoardo Crepaldi-Milone, Matthew Fisher