



## Next Competitions

- Sept 23&24 - Highland
- Oct 16&17 - Section Champs
- Oct 21&22 - NW Irish
- Nov 11&12 - Welsh
- Nov 18&19 - Derry Open
- Nov 26 - Inter-section Teams
- Dec 2&3 - H&W Open
- Jan 6&7 - Scottish Open

Maria is organising team accommodation for the Highland Open. While most beds are accounted for there is also floorspace going cheap if required.

Entry forms are available on the club or Scottish Fencing websites, or ask your team captains for a form.

## Child Protection

Have you read our **club child protection policy pamphlet**, and the **fencer's code of conduct**? Both of these can be found on our website, or you can ask Lesley to see a copy at training.

The club follows the BFA child protection policies and procedures, you can find links to these on our website or look on the BFA's website.

The most important thing to know is: **child protection is everybody's responsibility**. If you have any concerns about the safety of a child or the clubs procedures, please don't hesitate to raise it with the committee.

Any questions can be directed to the clubs child protection officer.

## Summer Program

The Summer program was a big success, it was great to see so many people participating in and enjoying all the events.

The **competition night** was quite remarkable, with so many foilists showing up that we were pressed for space in the small hall. We may have to do it again some time.

The team captains did an excellent job at the **epee & sabre night**, introducing the weapons and attempting to gain new converts.

**Sport psychology** with Mark was popular and saw the fencing strips left mostly vacant.

Chucky's armouring night also went well after fencers summoned the courage to

approach The Workbench. Between the two we should have the best-prepared competition team in the country.

Last in the series was our **Open Night** where we opened our doors to the public and provided an introduction for beginners. Estimates vary but we think we had about 15 or so taking up swords, with more on the sidelines content just to watch.

Many thanks are owed to everyone who helped organise and run the events. In particular we would like to thank Chucky, Mark, Elaine, David and Helen.

If you enjoyed the program this year feel free to make requests or suggest some new ideas for next year.

## Coming Events

### Club AGM

**Sept 28th**, in the ARC 7pm-?

The club AGM will be held at the start of the night. If we finish quickly there will be time for fencing afterward.

Club members will have received notice of the AGM, which includes the positions available and a nomination form. Please nominate! If you have anything you want added to the AGM agenda, speak to Katie.

Only club members are able to vote, although everyone is welcome to watch and join discussions. If you're not a member yet - what are you waiting for?

### Xmas Dinner/Drinks

**TBA**

We've started thinking about looking into organising a Christmas function. If you have any ideas, talk to Maria or the Committee.

## Training Day

Scottish fencing are running a student & adult training day on November 25th - The day before the Intersection Teams competition.

If interested keep the day free, we'll get details to you when available.

## UK School Games

The UK School Games were recently held in Glasgow, and many, many people associated with the club were there to help out, or in some cases compete. I'd list you individually, but we're out of space so please accept a big generic thankyou for the efforts of all volunteers, and congrats on the results of all competitors.

## Equipment

Remember that you must comply with the equipment regulations or we cannot allow you to fence.

- **Breeches are required**, the only exception is if you are using a non-electric or small-sized foil.

- **Plastrons are required**, the only exception is if you are using a non-electric or small-sized foil and your jacket is 800n (FIE standard).

And if you are fencing electric - remember to help pack up the scoring equipment at the end of the night.

*The victorious West Section team from the 2005 Intersection Championships.*



Club Website: <http://www.glasgowfencing.com/>

## Equipment Costs

Need to buy kit so you can fence electric?

Here are some approximate prices grabbed from the Leon Paul website to give you an idea of where prices start for electric-compliant kit.

Keep in mind that if you buy good kit and look after it, these items will last for a very long time.

Breeches: £42 (350N)

Plastron: £30 (800N)

Jacket: £60 (350N)

£70 for front-zip)

Mask: £60 (insulated)

Glove: £20

[www.leonpaul.com](http://www.leonpaul.com)

[www.gofence.com](http://www.gofence.com)

[www.pbt-uk.com](http://www.pbt-uk.com)

[www.duellist.com](http://www.duellist.com)

[www.allstar-fencing.co.uk](http://www.allstar-fencing.co.uk)

## Scottish Fencing

If you would like to join Scottish Fencing, forms are available at the club or you can download one from their website.

Membership will allow you to enter the many excellent competitions held each year, get you an electronic copy of "The Point", and BFA insurance cover.

[www.scottish-fencing.com](http://www.scottish-fencing.com)

## Merchandise

We sold the last of the T-shirts a while back, so it must be time for new club merchandise!

What would you like? New fleeces? T-shirt? Keyrings? Something else?

A simple club logo, or do we run another design competition?

Let us know what you want.

## Floor Fees

If you're not paying by standing order, please pay your floor fee promptly at the start of the night so that our treasurer is free to do some fencing as well.

## Beginners Courses

Our 10 week beginner courses have proved to be incredibly popular. The September course filled up well in advance, and we're taking advance reservations for future courses.

To try and meet demand (and earn the club a little more money) we're now looking at ways to offer extra courses, details will be advertised when we sort something out.

On that note, if any new coaches would like to gain experience by helping as an assistant coach please speak to the committee.

## Want To Be A Coach?

The next Coach Education Day run by Scottish Fencing will be **Nov 11&12**. No details available yet, keep an eye on the SF website.

The club aims to help people develop in all areas of fencing, and this includes coaching.

If you are interested in learning to coach, or in adding to your existing coaching qualifications, then talk to the club about opportunities and what we can do to help you.

## Lesson List

To get a ten minute lesson with the club coach, Dave Rollo, put your name on the lesson list. This can be found out the front with Lesley at the start of the night. After your lesson your name will be removed, so remember to put your name down again if you want another one.

To help Dave give lessons to as many people as possible - keep an eye on your place in the list and be ready to go as soon as you are called.

## Score Sheets

If you are looking to do something a little different at training, the club does have individual poule sheets and team scoresheets available for use at any time. Ask a committee member to locate one for you.

## T-shirt Comp

The Glasgow Open needs a new T-shirt design, so experiment with your artistic side and see what you can come up with.

Give your designs to the committee, who will pass them on to the judges.

## Club Membership

Membership of GWEFC costs just £15, and comes with many benefits. Join Today!

- ✂ Vote at the AGM
- ✂ Membership card
- ✂ Discount on electric kit hire for competitions
- ✂ 50% discount on the cost of replacing a club blade broken in competition
- ✂ 25% discount on equipment repairs when arranged through the club
- ✂ £5 discount on Scottish Fencing membership \*
- ✂ £5 discount on one Leon Paul equipment order when placed through the club \*

\* First time members only.

The committee welcome fully-costed suggestions for further membership benefits.

Don't forget, if you attend regularly you can also save time and money by paying your fees with a standing order - £18 per month.

## Apres Fencing

After fencing each week many fencers meet up for a drink at the pub.

Come and join us at **The Atholl** on Renfrew St, and get to know the people behind the masks.

## Deadlines

**November 28**

**February 22**

e-mail your items to:

**newsletter@glasgowfencing.com**

Please send us stuff.

## Your Committee (pre-AGM)

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