

CANTERBURY SCHOOLS' FENCING CHAMPIONSHIP 2017

The Canterbury Schools' Fencing Championship was held at Avonside GHS Gym on Saturday the 1st of July. On the day 68 fencers entered, 53 in foil and 15 in epee. It was a good turnout but I had hoped more young fencers could have taken part so that we didn't have to combine some age groups and girls and boys could have fenced separately in Epee, Girl Secondary School , Primary School and Novice Foil sections. Medals in the Open events went to good, experienced, fit fencers who have developed their skills to a high standard. I was particularly proud however of the brave young fencers that showed good sportsmanship, skill and determination. For example the 12 year olds in the Secondary events, the 13 year old in Epee and the 7year old fencing in the Novice section. You will be the future champions.

RESULTS: [FIRST 4 PLACES]- Full results see UnitedFencingClub facebook page or your coach.

SECONDARY SCHOOL BOYS OPEN FOIL

1st	Liam James	Hagley CC
2nd	Dylan Thomson	Burnside HS
3rd=	Thomas Johnstone	Hagley CC
3rd=	Xander Logan	Cashmere HS

SEC SCHOOL GIRLS OPEN FOIL [Open and U15 combined]

1st	Charlotte James	Burnside HS
2nd	Moe Suzuki	Riccarton HS
3rd=	Lilliana Freeman	Middleton Grange
3rd=	Alisha Bedggood	Rangi Ruru

SEC SCH BOYS UNDER 15YRS FOIL

1st	Jacob Stark	Burnside HS
2nd	Lachlan Row	Burnside HS
3rd=	Jasper Lonsdale	Middleton Grange
3rd=	Phoenix Evans	Linwood College

PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN FOIL [Primary/Int girls and boys starting before 2017]

1st Ryan Stewart Medbury
2nd Christopher Reynolds Beckenham
3rd= Alexander Law Medbury
3rd= Lily Scott-Lysaght St Andrews Col

NOVICE OPEN FOIL [Fencers starting in 2017 aged 7 to 14 years. most 11-13]

1st Dylan Spackman Shirley BHS
2nd Dominic Pulley Shirley BHS
3rd= Pieta Bell Seven Oaks
3rd= Nicholas Egan Heaton Intermediate

A SPECIAL YOUNG ACHIEVERS MEDAL was presented to

Sabre Evans aged 7 years

for fencing so well in an event with those about twice his age

OPEN EPEE [Mixed event for both male and female 13-18 years]

1st Liam James Hagley CC
2nd Nick Peters Burnside HS
3rd= Henry Rogers Christchurch Boys' HS
3rd = Xander Logan Cashmere HS

THANKS to all,

This was a FOCUS Event. Fencing uniting and encourage school participation in fencing in the Canterbury Region. I especial want to thank the loyal United Team and all others who set up packed up, fixed gear and helped in the kitchen, all the coaches and referees for all their work, Leasa who womaned the computer making life easier for us all and the fencers and supporters who made a great day possible.

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