



European Fencing Confederation Confédération Européenne d'Esgrime

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Dear Member Federations,

It is with great sorrow that we learned from the Dutch Fencing Federation that our friend **OSCAR KARDOLUS** has passed away. He died on 15th of November at the age of 60.

He grew up in a fencing family, in the sense that everyone within the Kardolus family fenced, one better than the other, and with this, Oscar grew up to be a successful athlete within the fencing world and he developed a keen and wide interest for it; both on a national and international level.

At an early age, Oscar, became interested in Information Technology, pioneering behind the Dutch national ranking lists. He was somebody who always saw things through to the end and believed in the motto: "if you want something done properly, do it yourself", which he always did.

He was more than a fencer; an all-round person with an interest in history, genealogy and recently, a connoisseur on the preparation of varieties of tea. Fencing history was something he took particular interest in and on which he has done considerable research that is of lasting value.

He has prepared many fencers to take over tasks he had performed in the past, in whatever field and we are grateful. This is even more of a proof of his forward thinking, about what was and is best for our sport.

Let us keep Oscar's memory alive. We wish his nearest and dearest to him and the fencing community, strength and solace in processing the loss of a remarkable fencer.

The European Fencing Confederation sends its deepest sympathy and condolences to his family and to the Dutch Fencing Federation.

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