



European Fencing Confederation Confédération Européenne d'Esgrime

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Dear Member Federation,

please receive with our today's information letter a few attachments you were waiting for since quite some time.

Our Technical Director Julius Kralik has put together all relevant details for the Cadet Circuit 2012/2013, discussed at the CC meeting in Porec and approved by the COMEX after some consultations. You will certainly be pleased with the outcome of our negotiations, and we hope you will participate next season with many of your cadets in the circuit. Please also note that the green marked competitions in the calendar are new CC tournaments in the coming season, and that also the competitions for the FIE junior world cups are included in this calendar.

Best regards,

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EFC Cadets Circuit 2012 - 2013 approved by EFC Executive Committee

Date	Women 's Epee		Men 's Epee		Women 's Foil		Men 's Foil		Women 's Sabre		Men 's Sabre		Date
	Jun.	Cadets	Jun.	Cadets	Jun.	Cadets	Jun.	Cadets	Jun.	Cadets	Jun.	Cadets	
15./16.09.													15./16.09.
22./23.09.		CC Zrenjanin		CC Ankara		CC Manchester		CC Manchester		CC Konin		CC Konin	22./23.09.
29./30.09.													29./30.09.
06./07.10.		CC Montreux		CC Budapest		CC Budapest		CC Budapest		CC Goedoelloe		CC Goedoelloe	06./07.10.
13./14.10.	4 Zones Gala Event ALG		4 Zones Gala Event ALG		4 Zones Gala Event ALG		4 Zones Gala Event ALG		4 Zones Gala Event ALG		4 Zones Gala Event ALG		13./14.10.
20./21.10.						CC Samorin		CC Florina		CC Meylan		CC Meylan	20./21.10.
27./28.10.		CC Klagenfurt		CC Klagenfurt									27./28.10.
03./04.11.	JWC Kiev		JWC Anadia		JWC Luxemburg		JWC Luxemburg		JWC Kiev		JWC Kiev		03./04.11.
10./11.11.		CC Heidenheim		CC Bonn		CC Moedling		CC Moedling		CC Sofia		CC Sofia	10./11.11.
17./18.11.	JWC Bratislava 18.		JWC Bratislava 18.		JWC Bratislava 17.		JWC Bratislava 17.		JWC Sosnowiec		JWC Sosnowiec		17./18.11.
24./25.11.		CC Grenoble		CC Chalons		CC Tauber Bhm		CC Halle		CC Moscow		CC Moscow	24./25.11.
01./02.12.	JWC Burgos		JWC Helsinki		JWC Waldkirch		JWC London		JWC Dormagen		JWC Dormagen		01./02.12.
08./09.12.		CC Copenhagen		CC Copenhagen		CC Cabries		CC Cabries		CC Goepingen		CC Goepingen	08./09.12.
15./16.12.	JWC Laupheim		JWC Teheran		JWC Leszno		JWC Leszno		JWC Logrono		JWC Teheran		15./16.12.
22./23.12.													22./23.12.
29./30.12.													29./30.12.
05./06.01.	JWC Dijon		JWC Lignano				JWC Lignano		JWC Lignano		JWC Lignano		05./06.01.
12./13.01.		CC Bratislava		CC Bratislava		CC Poznan		CC Bratislava		CC London		CC London	12./13.01.
19./20.01.	JWC Moedling		JWC Basel		JWC Zagreb		JWC Moedling		JWC Dourdan		JWC Dourdan		19./20.01.
26./27.01.						CC Satu Mare		CC Warszawa		CC Reykjavik		CC Reykjavik	26./27.01.
02./03.02.	JWC Goeteborg	CC Goeteborg	JWC Goeteborg	CC Goeteborg	JWC Lyon		JWC Madrid		JWC Phoenix		JWC Phoenix		02./03.02.
09./10.02.		CC Krakow		CC Krakow		CC Pisa		CC Pisa		CC Moedling		CC Moedling	09./10.02.
16./17.02.	JWC Maalot 18.		JWC Budapest		JWC Budapest		JWC Aix-en-Pr.		JWC Budapest		JWC Budapest		16./17.02.
23./24.02.													23./24.02.
02./03.03.	EC/J Champs		EC/J Champs		EC/J Champs		EC/J Champs		EC/J Champs		EC/J Champs		02./03.03.
09./10.03.	28.2.-09.3.		28.2.-09.3.		28.2.-09.3.		28.2.-09.3.		28.2.-09.3.		28.2.-09.3.		09./10.03.
16./17.03.					JWC Belgrad								16./17.03.
23./24.03.													23./24.03.
30./31.03.	World C/J Champs		World C/J Champs		World C/J Champs		World C/J Champs		World C/J Champs		World C/J Champs		30./31.03.
06./07.04.													06./07.04.
13./14.04.													13./14.04.
20./21.04.	EFC CC Candidates:												20./21.04.
27./28.04.													27./28.04.
04./05.05.	Newcastle (GBR-Dec)		Newcastle (GBR-Dec)		Ankara (TUR)		Satu Mare (ROU)						04./05.05.
11./12.05.	Sofia (BUL)		Sofia (BUL)		Copenhagen (DEN)		Zrenjanin (SRB)						11./12.05.
18./19.05.	Moscow (RUS-Dec)		Moscow (RUS)		Moscow (RUS)		Copenhagen (DEN)						18./19.05.
25./26.05.	Budapest (HUN)		Geneve (SUI)		Geneve (SUI)		Moscow (RUS)						25./26.05.
01./02.06.	Jerusalem (ISR)		Jerusalem (ISR)				Geneve (SUI)						01./02.06.
08./09.06.	Viana do Cast (POR)		Viana do Cast (POR)										08./09.06.
15./16.06.	Ankara (TUR)		Zrenjanin (SRB)										15./16.06.
22./23.06.													22./23.06.
29./30.06.													29./30.06.

newly awarded competitions

Conclusions and decisions of the meeting about EFC Cadets Circuit held in Porec on 29 of February 2012.

Present:

EFC Secretary General, Mr. Max Geuter

EFC Technical Director, Mr. Julius Kralik

Representatives of European federations (19):

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SLO SRB SVK SWE TUR UKR

Discussed issues and decisions:

- 1) Competences of the Assembly of delegates at the Meeting about EFC Cadets Circuit.** The President of the EFC, Mr. Janda, made a proposal aimed at increasing the competence of the forum (institutionalisation) of delegations present at traditional "Meeting with delegations EFC CC", usually held the day before start of competitions of EFC Cadets Championships. He proposed to award that forum by the power to adopt rules and regulations governing the Circuit in the future. Concerning this point there was no objection neither adopted concrete decision. Mr. Geuter proposed to open that issue at next EFC Executive Committee meeting.

- 2) Payment of EFC licences.** EFC Technical Director presented also another proposal of Mr. Janda concerning the introduction of paid EFC licences with a minimum of **10 EURO/person/season**. The aim of this measure is to create some funding for improvement of current situation of EFC CC due to missing funds, which were available in the past, i.e. mainly:
 - a) Increasing the amount offered for the winners of the Circuit by the end of the season (to become again a value minimum of 500 EURO per fencer)
 - b) Covering missing funds for the administration of the Circuit, especially concerning licences, results and rankings.
 - c) Covering costs related to the procedure of evaluation of competitions and possible assistance at their running upon discovered imperfections on the side of some organisers of competitions.
 - d) Special attention should be paid to referees, which in several cases were criticised as not sufficiently competent (sent by their federations just in order to satisfy to requirements of quota). It is proposed that referees officiating at EFC CC competitions should be principally either FIE licensed referees or national referees in preparation for FIE exams. EFC would propose to the FIE to adopt the rule that only candidates actively refereeing in EFC CC will be accepted in the future for FIE exams. Details should be defined after deliberations of EFC Executive Committee in cooperation with FIE Commission of Referees. That way the procedure for nomination of the referee to championships in general would contain following steps: highest classification in national federation –

refereeing if EFC CC – proposal of the EFC for FIE exams – successful FIE exams – designation for championships as FIE referee.

The forum by majority of present representatives of federations voted in favour of this proposal. Mentioned decision is related to any fencer and/or referee participating in the season 2012/2012 in competitions of EFC CC.

- 3) **Number of competition in EFC CC.** After shorter discussion the majority of votes went in favour to maintain the situation from 2011-2012 season, i.e. to continue with 9 competitions in given season with the argument that every federation can make its own policy and decide in which competition of the Circuit its fencers will take part.
- 4) **The scale of points at EFC CC ranking.** Results and statistics from previous seasons showed that there is some distortion at awarding same number of points for the winner of the competition with 50 fencers or over 200 participants. By majority of votes it was adopted the decision that in coming 2012-2013 will be introduced the system of attribution of points according to real size and force of the competition. Some delegations (DEN, ITA) noted that the distribution of points should not go to extremes and reasonable scale should be applied. EFC TD in cooperation with EFC Commission of competitions will prepare before the start of the new season suitable scale of the attribution of points to be approved by EFC Executive Committee.
- 5) **Formula of competitions.** Also for coming season the principle of flexibility at choosing one of 3 defined formulas by the organisers remains valid. **Decision was adopted unanimously.**
- 6) **Entry fees.** Upon proposal of GBR the forum voted for increasing **entry fees from 2012-2013 season to 20 EURO. Decision was adopted by majority of votes.**
- 7) **Concerning EFC CC Calendar.** Delegate from SRB proposed to reconsider the attribution of competitions as much as possible choosing the organisers with 2 competitions of given weapon (boys and girls) arguing that such principle makes more economic the expenses for the organisation on one hand and is also more suitable for delegations where often the same coach has to move with both, boys and girls, but if the competitions are organised in the same time on different places he has no chance to reach them. In order to not take away the competition from current organiser he proposed to adopt principle of alternation of the organisation every two seasons. **EFC TD propose to reconsider the possibility of such alternation of competitions in epee: 2 seasons Novi Sad (SRB) could organise men's and women's epee at the same date and the for other 2 seasons Ankara could take the relay organising 2 epee competitions.**
- 8) **Pisa tournament.** At the end discussion went above strong criticism of 5 federations participating at the tournament with 6 weapons in Pisa 2012. In a view that cited imperfections were already criticised in previous seasons the forum of delegates voted (with 1 abstain) for removing the organisation of 4 competitions from Pisa and leave there for next season only one weapon with two competitions (boys and girls) recommending also the

organisation of team events. **The organisers opted for foil** thus epee and sabre competitions in 2012-2013 season will be awarded to other organisers-candidates.

Report presented by: Julius Kralik (SVK), EFC/CEE technical Director and Administrator of EFC Cadets Circuit

Bratislava, April 2012

Attachment:

- 1) Comments of GBR
- 2) Comments of SUI
- 3) Comments of SWE



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EUROPEAN CADET CIRCUIT

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Dear Julius,

Here is a brief update on this year's Camden International.

The tournament attracted 224 fencers from 22 nations. National teams came this year from USA and Japan. The breakdown was 130 boys and 94 girls.

We used the format of one round of poules followed by direct elimination and repechage. This would be our preferred format as it enables us to use one facility for individual events with 2 series of poules.

The team events were as usual popular in case of boys. However, more limited in case of girls as some countries chose not to participate eg France.

For season 2012/2013 we would like to keep the tournament on last weekend of January ie 26/27 or first weekend of February ie 2/3 dependent on World Junior Cup Calendar.

Other matters, which should perhaps be discussed at EFC meeting are:

1. Entry Fees need to be increased. Euros 15 is not an economic rate particularly in view of costs in metropolitan cities.
2. The current registration system for referees is a plus. This year no team needed to pay a penalty at our tournament. The only concern is that some countries are likely to send low calibre referees to an event just to satisfy regulation.
3. Organizers need to have more discretion if someone turns up for tournament and is unregistered. This year 2 girls came to event unregistered and I was unable to contact you. The Italian Federation were unhappy that I had not allowed one of their fencers to enter event, because my hands were tied.

Regards
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Remarks for Cadet Circuit

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Dear Mr. Kralik,

My apologies for this very late response to your report on the Cadet Circuit 2011-2012; I only received a copy 2 days ago.

1) Formula for Montreux Epée Cadettes – We have used the original formula with 2 rounds of pools and a repechage in the elimination round, this over 2 days. For the majority of the fencers this appears to have been satisfactory. However, one or two trainers did come to us to ask that we hold the competition over one day so as to save a night's lodging expenses. Admittedly, the Montreux tournament was expensive because of the Euro crisis and the resulting high value of the Swiss Franc. I think this was also a reason for the lower turnout this year at Montreux. We have since looked into additional ways of reducing these expenses, such a renting apartments for a weekend rather than staying in hotels and hopefully this will lower the economic barrier.

Moreover it seems that later tournaments preferred the one day formulae with only one round of pools so that as we enter the end of season, it would appear that most delegations now expect this formula for the cadet circuit. This is just a personal impression, of course.

We would like therefore to propose for next year organizing a men's epee cadet competition along with the woman's competition in Montreux. The formula will be reduced to a one-day tournament for each sex. This would make for a more coherent competition and probably ease administration efforts for the competitors. Of course, we are aware that this may conflict with other organizers, namely Budapest, however this is made in the spirit of collaboration and only if Budapest sees other opportunities in this offer.

2) Entry Fees, As more of a remark than an opinion, raising the entry fees to 20 Euros would actually bring it into line with current entry fees for Swiss tournaments. Of course both Switzerland and GB are outside the Euro community and we do feel the lower value of the Euro.

These are our principal comments and I hope these reach you in time for the meeting.

With our best regards,

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ECC-meeting in Porec 29/2

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Dear Julius,

I am looking forward to meet you at the Cadets and Junior European Championships in Porec.

I am sending to you in advance, the following remarks and suggestions for improvements, as input from the Swedish Fencing Federation to the ECC meeting 29/2.

COMPETITION FORMULA

- It is important to keep the competition formula flexible, i.e. some organizers prefer JWC-formula, others formula with 1 or 2 rounds of poules and 32T with or without repêchage.

EFC WEB-SITE

- Keep up the very good work with the EFC website. Information is very easy accessible and very nicely presented.

INVITATION

- Invitation should be published at least two months ahead in order for federations/fencers to be able to buy low fare tickets.
- Exact date of competition should be explicit in the invitation.

QUOTA OF REFEREES

- The quota of referees should be based on registered fencers, not number of the fencers finally participating. It is important to be able to plan the number of referees needed in beforehand.
- Referees must be registered on the EFC-web-site in beforehand, otherwise fine according to EFC regulations.

ONE OR TWO DAY COMPETITION?

- One day competition is preferred.
- One day competition makes it possible for National Federations to use the same physical referee both for the men and the women competition.
- This will make it possible to significantly reduce referee costs.

Sincerely yours

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The Swedish Fencing Federation
