

# Manchester Cadet Presents



Dear Colleagues,

Please accept our most cordial greetings.

We have great pleasure in inviting you to the Manchester Cadet Foil Tournament to be held on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 in the Bolton Arena.

Five years ago the tournament, founded by the Manchester Fencing Club and Salle Kiss, was accepted as part of the European Cadet Circuit by the European Confederation of Fencing.

- The tournament takes place in the Bolton Arena, a state of the art sports centre designed and built for the 2002 Commonwealth Games.
- The venue is close to Manchester airport and is well served with public transport, the nearest train station being only 100m from the venue and on a direct line from the airport. It can be reached easily by car, being a few hundred metres from the motorway. In addition it can also be reached from Liverpool airport which is 65Km away and Leeds/Bradford airport which is 90Km away. Besides scheduled carriers all three airports are served by low cost airlines (Easy Jet, Flybe, Ryanair, Monarch) who fly from a large number of European destinations.
- Accommodation is available within 100m of the venue and there are seven hotels within a 2Km radius. Between them they provide several hundred rooms. There are a large number of restaurants within the local area. These include Chinese, Indian, Spanish and Italian as well as classic British "pub" food.

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| <p>In order to assist your federation to attend this tournament we are pleased to offer you two nights free accommodation for two of your officials if you bring more than ten fencers</p> |
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# International Foil Challenge

## European Cadet Circuit



***Bolton, United Kingdom***

***4<sup>th</sup> October 2014***

### **Weapon**

Men's and Women's Foil

### **Age Category**

Cadet boys and girls according to EFC rules.

### **Program**

Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2014

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| Registration and payment of entry fees | 19:00-21:30 |
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Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2014

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| Last check in for men's foil                           | 08:00       |
| Last check in for women's foil                         | 10:00       |
| One round of pools and direct elimination to the final | 08:30-20:30 |

### **Venue**

The Bolton Arena, Arena Way, Bolton BL6 6LB. The venue is located just off junction 6 of the M61. It is within 24 miles (40Km) of Manchester airport and 18 miles (30Km) of central Manchester.

### **Organisation**

Salle Kiss, Manchester Fencing Club and the British Fencing Association

### **Competition Format**

- One rounds of pools of 6-7 fencers, approx. 20% eliminated after the round
- Direct elimination with repêchage starting from a tableau of 32
- Finals without fence-off for 3rd place
- Trophy for the top 4, medals for 5th to 8th place

EFC regulations will apply throughout the competition.

## Entries

The competition is open to all countries. Entry fee: €20 per fencer to be paid at registration or check in.

All entries must be made through the fencer's national federation via the EFC website before September 14th 2013. As per the 2013 EFC regulations, not more than 20 entries per country can be accepted apart from the host nation where a maximum of 64 is allowed.

## Equipment

FIE standard equipment will be required, i.e., 800N clothing, 1600N mask with a conductive bib and FIE homologated blade.

Printing of the fencer's name on the back of the jacket is **not** required.

## Referees

Each participating country must supply at its expense the number of qualified referees indicated in the table below:

| Number of Entries | Number of Referees |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1-4               | 0                  |
| 5-9               | 1                  |
| 10-15             | 2                  |
| 16-20             | 3                  |

Failure to comply with this rule will result in a 500 € fine for each referee short of the required number. **Please note:** All referees **must** be entered the same way as fencers, i.e. through the EFC web site.

This fee must be paid before any fencers from the offending country will be allowed to compete.

## Travel to the Venue

The venue for the tournament is the Bolton Arena which is in Horwich, just outside of the town of Bolton. Close to the West Pennine moors It is just 10 miles (16 km) north west of the city of Manchester.

### *Travel Directions*

Closest airport: Manchester, UK; Train station: Horwich.

The nearest train station is Horwich Parkway. This can be reached directly from Manchester Piccadilly or Manchester Airport stations. The station is approximately 100m from the venue.

For timetable enquires telephone 08457 48 49 50 or visit: <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/>

A number of bus companies operate in the area, for details see the Transport for Greater Manchester website at <http://www.tfgm.com/>.

## **Accommodation**

The nearest hotel to the site is the Bolton (Reebok Stadium) Premier Inn -

<http://www.premierinn.com/en/hotel/BOLBAR/bolton-reebok-stadium?cmp=GLBC>

Other hotels, boarding house and youth hostels can be found by visiting the Bolton or Manchester tourist office web sites at <http://www.visitbolton.com> and <http://www.visitmanchester.com> respectively.