

## NATIONAL VETERANS FOIL, EPEE & SABRE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The British Veterans Fencing championships were held at the Oxtalls indoor tennis centre in Gloucester over 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

Kent was well represented with several fencers competing with excellent results.

In the Women's foil event, from an initial entry of 22, Nicola Hull and Jane Clayton both fought their way through to the semi-finals to be drawn against each other. In a very close fight which went to 9-9 Jane secured the last hit to reach the final. Jane went on to take the title 10 – 6 against Caron Hale from the South West. Jane was also awarded the gold medal for the highest placed fencer in category 2 (50 – 59) and Nicola received the gold for category 1 (40 -49) Helen Easter finished 19<sup>th</sup>.

In the Women's epee event, from an initial entry of 28, Nicola Hull again reached the final stages, this time beating Jane Hutchinson from the South West in the Semi finals pitching her against last years champion Kate Smith from London in the final. On this occasion Kate proved too strong and retained her title 10- 6. Nicola received the gold for the highest placed category 1 fencer. Jane Clayton finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place and Helen Easter 18<sup>th</sup>.

In the Men's foil event 2 Kent men reached the last 8 stage from an entry of 46. Corsini King finishing in 8<sup>th</sup> place with Nick Fihosy finishing 3<sup>rd</sup>, only losing to the eventual winner Robert Kiss in the semi final. Nick received the gold medal for the highest placed category 2 fencer.

In the Men's sabre event Alan Ault was awarded the gold medal for the highest placed category 4 fencer (over 70) finishing 24<sup>th</sup> out of an initial entry of 34.