

SOUTH EAST EPEE & SABRE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2012

The SE Epee & Sabre championships were held at Benenden School in Kent on Sunday 29th January.

70 fencers took part, coming from a varied selection of clubs and universities from all over the South East Section.

The standard was exceptionally high with closely fought finals in all weapons.

There were 32 entrants in the Men's epee with 2 fencers from Redhill & Reigate dominating. Harrison Nicholls narrowly beat last years champion Tom Edwards in the final and was also awarded the John Fairhall Memorial trophy for the highest placed Under 20 fencer.

The Women's epee was dominated by fencers from Maidstone Fencing club. From 13 entrants Nicola Hull and Elena Rostevi reached the final, with Nicola narrowly overcoming Elena to become the SE Women's champion for the 1st time.

The Men's sabre event showed sabre at its most exciting with Alex Bela from Surrey University and Kirk Slankard from MX reaching the final from an entry of 20 fencers. In a highly competitive fight Alex came through to take the SE title.

The Women's sabre event, although small in numbers was hotly contested with Rosie Burnham from Invicta overcoming Minna Wilke from Surrey University in the final.

Thanks must go to Mike Salter who came along especially to referee the sabre and did a highly professional job.