

Southwest Section Spring Newsletter

Sectional Championships

May 17-18, 2003

Texas A&M Rec Center
College Station, TX

Hosted by the Gulf Coast Division

Schedule

Times are close of registration, events will begin as soon as possible.

Time	Saturday	Sunday
10:00 am	Registration opens	Registration opens
11:00 am	Men's Epee	Men's Foil
12:00 pm	Women's Foil Under 19 Men's Foil	Women's Epee Under 19 Men's Epee
3:30 pm	Men's Sabre Women's Sabre	Under 19 Women's Foil Under 19 Men's Sabre
4:30 pm	Under 19 Women's Epee	Under 19 Women's Sabre

Format: In all events third place will be fenced for, no ties.

Medals will be awarded to the top 3 places in each event.

Qualifying paths: See USFA National Newsletter, Winter 2001. This has a great 2-page spread on how to get to the 2002 Summer National Championships. The Newsletters are also on the USFA web site, <http://www.USFencing.org/>

U-19 Events: If there are only 2 fencers, one 15 touch bout will be fenced to determine 1st place. For 3 or more fencers, one round of pools will be fenced, 100% promoted to a Direct Elimination table.

Div I-A Events: If there are 10 or fewer fencers, one round of pools will determine the order of place. For 11 or more fencers, one round of pools will be fenced, 100% promoted to a Direct Elimination table.

Eligibility: Requirements are given in the USFA Operations Manual in Chapter III, Section 1. A. (1)-(2).

Junior fencers will need the signature of a parent or guardian (not a coach) on the waiver form.

Membership: To join the USFA, fencers will need to provide their social security number. Payment for memberships is made directly to the USFA.

Participants are required to fence in proper attire; USFA rules will be adhered to.

There are no alternate qualifiers to any National tournaments.

Fees: are \$20.00 per person for the 1st event; \$10.00 for subsequent events. Make checks payable to Southwest Section.

Registration: **Please pre-register.**

Online: <http://www.southwestfencing.org>.

By mail: 514 NW 164th St, Edmond, OK, 73013

FAX: 405-359-8487

Please use the attached registration form.

2003 Sectionals Registration

Name _____ Birth year _____ Registration & 1st event \$20.00
 Club _____ Division _____ Additional events \$10 each _____
 Telephone _____ email _____ Total \$_____

Div I-A

	Men's			Women's		
Enter:	Epee ___	Foil ___	Sabre ___	Epee ___	Foil ___	Sabre ___
Classification:	Epee ___	Foil ___	Sabre ___	Epee ___	Foil ___	Sabre ___

Under 19

	Men's			Women's		
Enter:	Epee ___	Foil ___	Sabre ___	Epee ___	Foil ___	Sabre ___
Classification:	Epee ___	Foil ___	Sabre ___	Epee ___	Foil ___	Sabre ___

Waiver of Liability
Personal Information

Name _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____

Fencing Information

USFA Membership (circle): Yes New
 Club Affiliation: _____
 USFA Classification-year: Foil ___ Epee _____ Sabre _____

YOU MUST SIGN WAIVER OF LIABILITY OR REGISTRATION WILL BE NULL AND VOID.
 Upon entering this event, sponsored by the USFA and/or its affiliates, I agree to abide by the rules of the USFA as currently published. I understand and appreciate that participation in a sport carries a risk to me of serious injury, including permanent paralysis or death. I voluntarily and knowingly recognize, accept and assume this risk and release the USFA, their sponsors, event organizers and officials from any liability.

Signature: _____
 Date: _____
 Parent or guardian if fencer is under the age of 18: _____

SSCC Registration for _____

Name _____ Club _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____ email _____
 Events (circle) MF ME MS WF WE WS other ___
 Classification and year (DoI) Foil _____ Epee _____ Sabre _____
 Other goodies _____

Registration \$___.00
 Events _____ x \$___.00
 Total _____ .00

Fill in details from flier.
 Mail to tournament address, or
 bring with you.

Southwest Section home page is at:

<http://www.southwestfencing.org/>

Southwest Section Circuit Cup home page is at:

<http://www.southwestfencing.org/SSCC/>

Circuit Registration

For the first time, this year you may register for any Southwest Section Circuit Cup tournament online at <http://www.southwestfencing.org/SSCC/>

We cannot accept payment online, pay when you check-in. The goals of this effort are: 1) convenience of fencers through faster check-in; 2) aid to organizers through an electronic registration list compatible with the XSeed program; 3) consistent pool seeding and round promotion since this is the same program used by the USFA; and 4) easier, faster, more accurate point accounting for the Circuit.

A word from the SSCC Commissioner:

I want to thank everyone for the great turnout at the SSCC events so far this season. Also a big thank you to the organizers, unpaid volunteers, referees, bout committee persons and everyone else who make the SSCC possible! We are now midway through the third season of the SSCC and a lot of hard work is going on behind the scenes to ensure that the operations and all other aspects of our organization will only improve with time. To support the operations of your Section Circuit, there are three special projects that I'd like to bring to your attention.

The SSCC announces an Advanced Foil Referee Clinic with Andy Shaw, in conjunction with the North Texas Grand Prix and co-sponsored by the North Texas Division. Training will include a lecture component and demonstrations by skilled "A" level foil fencers. The clinic will be held Friday, February 28th starting at 6pm with mentoring and practical observations during the tournament. The Cost is \$40 and includes dinner. Scholarships are available. All participants will receive personal evaluations on their referee skills from the clinic staff. Contact David Sierra - oso97@hotmail.com or 214-394-9106 for information and registration.

Section Vice-chair and SSCC Vice-commissioner Angela Torres is heading a committee to explore the future directions of the SSCC - everything including tournament organization, composition, operations, designation and sponsorship. If you have input to make, please contact her directly at atorres5@cox.net.

South Texas Division Chair and SSCC Vice-commissioner Paul Schimelman is heading a project on bout committee operations and computer support with the goal of standardizing this key detail at all SSCC events.

Finally, If you have any comments, complaints, compliments or concerns regarding any aspect of the SSCC, my email inbox is always open!

Happy Fencing,
David Sierra

General Membership Meeting

Will be held after fencing, but will start no later than 7 pm, on Saturday at the venue.

The agenda presently includes:

- I. Approval of 2002 Minutes
- II. Financial Report
- III. Old Business
- IV. New Business
 - A. SSCC changes
 - B. A new Proposal for the SSCC Operational Manual and Bylaws
 - C. Section referees
- V. Election of Officers

If you have an item you would like to discuss, please send at least the topic to Bob Fiegel for inclusion in the agenda.

To Texas A&M University Student Recreation Center

Directions from HWY 6 and University Dr.

Exit at University Dr off of Highway 6

Go West about 2.8 miles to a Y at Deluxe Burger Bar (if you go under an overpass, you've gone about 20 yards too far).

Bear right at the Y (at the Deluxe),

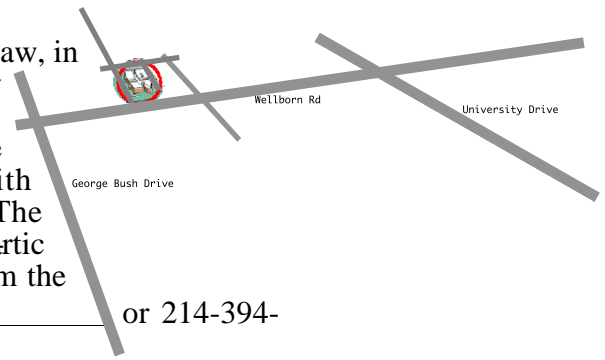
Turn left onto Wellborn Rd.

Go about .6 miles.

Turn right onto Joe Routt St. (third signal light).

Turn left at the stop sign.

The building is about 100 feet down on the Left.



Summer Nationals

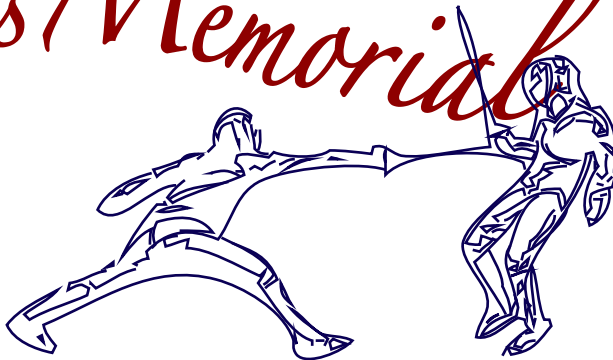
Gary Murray

The Round Rock Fencing Club and the Capital Area Fencing Association are your host for the 2003 Summer Nationals. It will take place at the newly expanded Austin Convention Center in Austin, June 27 through July 6 and will include the Division I Nationals the first weekend. Check out all the latest information, updated regularly, on the "Official" web site at www.2003summernationals.org and if you have any questions or concerns you can email Coach Gary Murray, Local Organizing Committee Chairman at coachrrfc@aol.com

Dates 2003	Tournament	Host/Location (Information)
February		
February 01 - 02	Louisiana State High School Fencing Championship	TBA, LA WWW: < http://www.almdiv.org/ > (Scott Harkey)
February 01 - 02	Poujardieu Memorial	San Marcos, TX (Paul Schimmelman)
February 01	Cadet/Youth Tournament #5	LSFC at Dallas INT'l School (Jeff Crowe)
February 07 - 09	Competitive Fencer Seminar	FIT WWW: < http://www.fenceintexas.org/Business/newbusiness/calendarbusiness.htm > (Jeff Crowe)
February 08 - 09	Yorick Open	SWTSU, San Marcos, TX WWW: < http://www.southtexasdivision.org/ > (Paul Schimmelman)
February 08	Open Foil, Youth Foil-Uncl	El Paso Fencing Center
February 09	Rising Stars #4 (Beginner Youth Tournament)	Grapevine TX FC WWW: < http://www.lonestarfencingcenter.com > (Jeff Crowe)
February 14 - 17	Junior Olympics Colorado	WWW: < http://www.USFencing.org/ >
February 15 - 16	UTFC Masters Open	Austin WWW: < http://www.southtexasdivision.org/ > (Paul Schimmelman)
February 17	President's Day	
February 28 - 02	Competitive Fencer Seminar	FIT WWW: < http://www.fenceintexas.org/Business/newbusiness/calendarbusiness.htm > (Jeff Crowe)
March		
March 01 - 02	Grand Prix	Lone Star Fencing Center WWW: < http://www.lonestarfencingcenter.com/grandprix.htm > (David Sierra)
March 01	RRFC Beginners Foil	Round Rock WWW: < http://www.southtexasdivision.org/ > (Paul Schimmelman)
March 01	Open Epee-Uncl	El Paso Fencing Center
March 08 - 09	Oz Parsons Memorial	OSF, Oklahoma City, OK WWW: < http://www.oksportfencing.com/Tournaments/OzParsons03/OzParsons03.htm > (David Sierra)
March 08	Open Foil, Youth Foil-Uncl	El Paso Fencing Center
March 14 - 17	NAC Division II, III, Vet	Arlington, TX WWW: < http://www.USFencing.org/ >
March 22 - 23	Texas Youth Championship #3	La Touché WWW: < http://latouchefencing.com > (Jeff Crowe)
March 22	UTFC "D & Under"	Austin WWW: < http://www.southtexasdivision.org/ > (Paul Schimmelman)
March 29 - 30	Crescent City	WWW: < http://www.louisianafencing.org/CCO_2003.html > (David Sierra)
March 29 - 30	Houston RYC	Salle Mauro, Houston, TX email: < mauro@rice.edu > (Wendall Kubik)
April		
April 05 - 06	OK Div Summer Nationals Qualifier	Bladesport, Tulsa, OK Randy Hicks (Carolyn Gresham)
April 05 - 06	Gulf Coast Div II/III/Vet/Team Qualifiers	Salle Mauro, Houston, TX email: < mauro@rice.edu > (Mauro Hamza)
April 05 - 06	North Texas Division Qualifier	TBD WWW: < http://www.lonestarfencingcenter.com > (Jeff Crowe)
April 05	BTX Qualifiers/Championships Epee	El Paso Fencing Center
April 11 - 13	PAFA Coaching Seminar	Redland Fencing Center, Oklahoma City, OK Jerry Benson
April 12 - 13	Ark-la-miss division qualifier	Texarkana, AR WWW: < http:// > (Scott Harkey)
April 12 - 13	Rising Stars #5 (Beginner Youth Tournament)	Grapevine Tx FC WWW: < http://www.grapevinefencingcenter.com > (Jeff Crowe)
April 12	"C" and Under Mixed Foil	La Touché WWW: < http://latouchefencing.com > (Jeff Crowe)
April 12	Cadet/Youth Tournament #6	LSFC at Dallas INT'l School WWW: < http://www.lonestarfencingcenter.com > (Jeff Crowe)
April 12 - 13	STX Nationals Qualifier	TBA WWW: < http://www.southtexasdivision.org/ > (Paul Schimmelman)
April 12	BTX Qualifiers/Championships Foil	El Paso Fencing Center

- April 18 - 20 Competitive Fencer Seminar FIT
WWW: <<http://www.fenceintexas.org/Business/newbusiness/calendarbusiness.htm>> (Jeff Crowe)
- April 20 Easter Sunday
- April 25 - 28 NAC Division I, NAC Youth Overland Park, KS
WWW: <<http://www.USFencing.org/>>
- May**
- May 02 - 04 PAFA Coaching Seminar Palo Alto College, San Antonio, TX
Vinnie Bradford
- May 03 - 04 DeGall Memorial FIT (venue TBA)
WWW: <<http://www.fenceintexas.org/Business/newbusiness/calendarbusiness.htm>> (Jeff Crowe)
- May 03 Open Foil, Youth Foil-Uncl El Paso Fencing Center
- May 10 LSFC Open (all weapons) LSFC at Dallas INT'l School
(Jeff Crowe)
- May 10 RRFC Six Weapon Team Event Round Rock
WWW: <<http://www.southtexasdivision.org/>> (Paul Schimmelman)
- May 11 Mother's Day
- May 17 - 18 Sectional Qualifiers TAMU, College Station, TX
(Bob Fiegel)
- May 20 Deadline for Qualifier Reports
WWW: <<http://www.USFencing.org/>>
- May 22 Div I & Summer Nationals entry deadline
WWW: <<http://www.USFencing.org/>>
- May 31 - 01 USFA RYC San Antonio
WWW: <<http://www.southtexasdivision.org/>> (Wendall Kubik)
- June**
- June 06 - 08 Competitive Fencer Seminar FIT
WWW: <<http://www.fenceintexas.org/Business/newbusiness/calendarbusiness.htm>> (Jeff Crowe)
- June 07 Epee Team Open Mixed La Touché (venue TBA)
WWW: <<http://latouchefencing.com>> (Jeff Crowe)
- June 07 - 22 European Competitive Training Camp FIT at Austin College, Sherman, TX
WWW: <<http://www.fenceintexas.org/Business/newbusiness/calendarbusiness.htm>> (Jeff Crowe)
- June 07 Open Foil, Youth Foil-Uncl El Paso Fencing Center
- June 09 - 13 UTEP Fencing Camp El Paso, TX
email: <MariettaTowryTowrymw@aol.com>
- June 13 - 16 PAFA Coaching Seminar Redland Fencing Center, Oklahoma City, OK
Jerry Benson
- June 14 - 15 Keogh Memorial TBA
WWW: <<http://www.southtexasdivision.org/>> (Paul Schimmelman)
- June 14 Open Epee, Youth Epee El Paso Fencing Center
- June 15 Father's Day
- June 16 - 23 Salle De Long Summer Fencing Camp El Paso, TX
- June 18 - 20 EPFC Mini-Camp Recharge for Nationals El Paso, TX
email: <MariettaTowryTowrymw@aol.com>
- June 21 - 24 Texas Fencing Camp I LSFC at Dallas INT'l School
(Jeff Crowe)
- June 21 - 22 PAC Inner City Games San Antonio
WWW: <<http://www.southtexasdivision.org/>> (Paul Schimmelman)
- June 22 Rising Stars #6 (Beginner Youth Tournament) FIT
WWW: <<http://www.fenceintexas.org/Business/newbusiness/calendarbusiness.htm>> (Jeff Crowe)
- June 27 - 06 Summer National Championships Austin, TX
WWW: <<http://www.2003summernationals.org>>
- June 27 - 29 Division I National Championships Austin, TX
WWW: <<http://www.USFencing.org/>>
- July**
- July 04 Independence Day
- July 26 - 27 Games of Texas Grapevine FC
WWW: <http://www.gamesoftexas.com/cgi/print_taf3.cgi/TAAF/fills/game13.txt> (Jeff Crowe)
- August**
- August 01 - 03 PAFA Coaching Seminar Palo Alto College, San Antonio, TX
Vinnie Bradford

Oz Parsons Memorial



SOUTHWEST SECTION CIRCUIT CUP

March 8 - 9, 2003

Registration: \$20.00

Each event: \$10.00

\$5.00 discount for pre-registration.

Register at
<http://www.southwestfencing.org/sscc/>

Close of registration:

Saturday

- 9:00am Mixed Epee
- 12:00pm Women's Foil
- 2:30pm Mixed Sabre

Sunday

- 9:00am Mixed Foil
- 12:00pm Women's Epee
- 2:30pm Women's Sabre
- 3:30pm Mixed Youth-12 Foil

Venue:

Bennett Athletic Center
Casady High School
9500 N Pennsylvania Av
Oklahoma City

Hotel Accommodations:

Holiday Inn 405-843-5558
6200 N. Robinson
\$69.00/night; up to 4 in room.
Mention "Oz Parsons Memorial"
Make reservations by Feb. 21.
These are *nice* rooms.

For further information contact:

Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel
carolyn@oksportfencing.com
405-359-8487

Fine Print

You must be prepared to show proof of USFA membership, or fill out a registration form at the door. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Persons under age 18 **MUST** have a parent's signature on the USFA form; a coach's signature is not valid.

All participants must sign a "Waiver of Liability" form. Please use the form in this newsletter.

Persons under age 18 must have a parent's signature on this form.

Make checks payable to: Oklahoma Sport Fencing
Send to: 514 NW 164 St, Edmond, OK 73013
Online registration is encouraged!