

## Fencing competitions – an introduction

There are few better ways to test and to improve your fencing skills than to take part in one of the many competitions on offer across the foil, epee and sabre weapons. It's different to fencing at the club and it allows you to try your best against fencers from across the country with different skills and techniques.

### When should I start?

It's not an exact science and everyone will vary. Generally, competitors will have been attending a club regularly for at least six months and to have had some experience of 'electric' fencing. It can be helpful to enter a first event that doesn't involve too much travel and ideally to be going along with someone else from your club. However, don't hesitate if you feel ready and there's an event in the calendar. If you wait until you think you can win, you will probably have waited too long. Remember while you are practicing and perfecting your skills, there are other fencers out there doing the same thing but getting competition experience at the same time. They might not be winning, but they will be improving much, much faster than by club training alone. Fencing is a duelling sport and the natural context for it is the competition piste. It's a real milestone to enter an event and a great way to make new and long-lasting friendships.

### Finding competitions

Rather frustratingly there is no one place to see the details of all competitions and so we've done the hard work for you and listed all competitions in the current term. Note that the list does change!

Once you find a competition which you would like to enter please refer to one of the following links to book and pay for your entry.

British Fencing (probably the best site to see most events): <http://www.britishfencing.com/events/>

Leon Paul Junior Series (excellent introduction for new fencers): <http://leonpauljuniorseries.co.uk/competitions/calendar>

Elite Epee Series: <http://www.elitepee.com/fencing/elite/EliteEpee.nsf/content/Elite%20Epee%20Junior%20Series?OpenDocument>

GB Youth series: <http://gb-youth.co.uk/>

Sport 80: <https://platform.sport80.com/login>

Surrey Fencing: [http://www.surreyfencing.com/Entry\\_Surrey\\_Youth.html](http://www.surreyfencing.com/Entry_Surrey_Youth.html)

### For parents and new fencers

Knowing what to expect on the day can help you to prepare for an enjoyable experience. Here is a great link which explains what will happen on competition day - it's well worth a read: [http://leonpauljuniorseries.co.uk/page/lpjs\\_for\\_parents](http://leonpauljuniorseries.co.uk/page/lpjs_for_parents)

Very best regards  
Adam

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### Epee

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Competition.</u>	<u>Age Groups.</u>	<u>Location.</u>	<u>Closing Date/Fee.</u>
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Elite Epee Moulton College	B+G U10, U12, U14 & U17	Northants.	Sep 4 <sup>th</sup> / £22.00
September 25 <sup>th</sup>	Kings School Canterbury U17 BRC Epee	B+G 17 or under on 1.1.2017	Canterbury	Sep 16 <sup>th</sup> / £30.00
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Plymouth Epee	B+G U9, B+G U11	Plymouth	Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup> / £20.00
October 9 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Plymouth Epee	B+G U13, B+G U15	Plymouth	Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup> / £20.00
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Manchester Epee	B+G U9, U11, U13 & U15	Oldham	Oct 9 <sup>th</sup> / £20.00
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	LP BRC Boy's Cadet Epee	B16 or under on 1.1.2017	LP Centre, Hendon	Oct 9 <sup>th</sup> / £30.00
October 16 <sup>th</sup>	LP BRC Girl's Cadet Epee	B16 or under on 1.1.2017	LP Centre, Hendon	Oct 9 <sup>th</sup> / £30.00
October 29 <sup>th</sup>	Elite Epee CLFS	B+G U10, U12, U14 & U17	CLFS, Ashted	Oct 15 <sup>th</sup> / £22.00
November 12 <sup>th</sup>	Cocks Moors Woods Epee Championships	B+G U9, U11, U13 & U15	Birmingham	10 <sup>th</sup> Nov / £17.00
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Millfield Epee	B+G U9, U11, U13 & U15	Somerset	6 <sup>th</sup> Nov / £20.00
November 19 <sup>th</sup>	Elite Epee Manchester	B+G U10, U12, U14 & U17	Manchester	4 <sup>th</sup> Nov / £22.00
November 27 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Packwood Epee	B+G U9, U11, U13 & U15	Shrewsbury	20 <sup>th</sup> Nov / £20.00

Open Events Qualification Date: Age on 1.1.16.

Surrey & SE BYCs: U10 born 06/07/08 U12 born 04/05 U14 born 02/03 U16 born 00/01 U18 born 98/99

LPJS Series: U9 born 07/08 U11 born 05/06, U13 born 03/04, U15 born 01/02, U17 born 99/00.

\*LPJS: see <https://leonpauljuniorseries.co.uk/competitions/calendar> for details

\*Elite Epee Junior Series: see [Elite Epee](#) for details

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### Foil

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Competition.</u>	<u>Age Groups.</u>	<u>Location.</u>	<u>Closing Date/Fee.</u>
September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	LPJS Robin Hood Foil	B+G U9, U11, U13 & U15	Nottingham	1 <sup>st</sup> Sept / £25.00
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Leon Paul BRC Cadet Sabre	B+G 16 or under on 1.1.2017	LP Centre, Hendon	11 <sup>th</sup> Sept / £36.00
September 18 <sup>th</sup>	Leon Paul BRC Junior Sabre	B+G 19 or under on 1.1.2017	LP Centre, Hendon	11 <sup>th</sup> Sept / £36.00
September 24 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Cardiff Foil	B+G U9, U11, U13 & U15	Cardiff	1 <sup>st</sup> Sept / £20.00
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Camden Foil	B+G U11, B U15 & U17, G U15 & U17	Tufnell Park, NW5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct / £20.00
October 9 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Camden Foil	B+G U9, B+G U13	Tufnell Park, NW5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct / £20.00
October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	LPJS Wrexham Foil	B+G U9, U11, U13 & U15	Wrexham	15 <sup>th</sup> Oct / £23.00
November 19 <sup>th</sup>	Newham Swords Junior Challenge Series	B U10 & U14, B+G U16	Sportsdock, Newham	16 <sup>th</sup> Nov / £30.00
November 20 <sup>th</sup>	Newham Swords Junior Challenge Series	G U10 & U14, B+G U12	Sportsdock, Newham	16 <sup>th</sup> Nov / £30.00
November 20 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Bath	B+G U11, U13 & U15	University of Bath	13 <sup>th</sup> Nov. / £28.00
November 26 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Fencers Club London Foil	B+G U9, B+G U13	Rickmansworth	20 <sup>th</sup> Nov / £30.00
November 27 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Fencers Club London Foil	B+G U11, B+G U15	Rickmansworth	20 <sup>th</sup> Nov / £30.00

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### **Sabre**

<b><u>Date.</u></b>	<b><u>Competition.</u></b>	<b><u>Age Groups.</u></b>	<b><u>Location.</u></b>	<b><u>Closing Date/Fee.</u></b>
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	Leon Paul BRC Cadet Sabre	B+G 16 or under on 1.1.2017	LP Centre, Hendon	4 <sup>th</sup> Sept / £36.00
September 11 <sup>th</sup>	Leon Paul BRC Junior Sabre	B+G 19 or under on 1.1.2017	LP Centre, Hendon	4 <sup>th</sup> Sept / £36.00
October 16 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Manchester Sabre	B+G U9, U11, U13, U15	Oldham	9 <sup>th</sup> Oct / £20.00
November 27 <sup>th</sup>	LPJS Millfield Sabre	B+G U9, U11, U13, U15	Somerset	20 <sup>th</sup> Nov / £20.00

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