

The Olga Jekyll Memorial Mixed Foil

Teams

The OJ Mixed Teams was run at Avonside Girls' High School Gymnasium on Saturday 19th March 2016. This is an inclusive, fun tournament to start the season. Teams, where possible, are made up of male and female fencers from different clubs and schools and different ages and stages. We try and make the teams as equal as possible but also want fencers from different groups to get to know and support each other as a team. The teams were divided into two groups of four teams that fenced separately, a Primary and Intermediate School Aged Group and an Open aged group. Another group of very young beginners fenced separately in a pool and then had a mini team event. They were about 7-9 years old and had fenced from 2 weeks to 1 year.

Results: Open Age group. [names in alphabetical order]

1st C .Froggart, M. Robb, M.Suzuki, E.Wilson-Suttie

2nd P. Fish, T. Johnstone, A. Leanda

3rd A. Bedggood, C.James, Q.Logan

4th E.Davey, J. Davies, S.Lang, X. Logan

Results of the Younger age group teams

1st **'The Cenas'** Connor, Jonathan F, William and Lucas

2nd **'The Wolves'** Sera, Jonathan L, Finn and Alex

3rd **'Blades'** Daniel, Sophie, Max and Nathan

4th **'The People'** Finley, Hugh, Paesli and Theo

Results of the Primary Age Beginner pool

1st Harriet Panckhurst, **2nd** Gabriel Austin, **3rd** Ryan Lee, **4th** Luke Uprichard, **5th** Flynn Southgate.

The results were close the teams working together well. Many fencers started last year and two little boys started this month so it was great to see these fencers earning points and enjoying their fencing.

United Fencing donated two electric foils and Daniel Chan donated two body wires in memory of Olga. These were won as spot prizes by four up and coming young fencers who will put them to good use.

I would especially like to thank Keith, Rob, Graham, Kate and John who refereed all day and the other referees who took turns, the coaches and helpers who looked after the fencers and gear, Gary and the

mothers who on short notice manned the kitchen, Leasa for computing the scores and fronting the desk, those who helped to set up and pack up including the Fish family from Waimate, and all fencers family and friends who made this a good tournament. Diane Swain. fencingforus@gmail.com