



Sarnia Sword Club

## **MUSKETEERS Newsletter**

**September 2022 - June 2023**

Dear Musketeer

The 2022/23 fencing season begins on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for existing Musketeers. The Musketeers meet 6.30pm - 7.30pm on Thursday evenings at Beau Sejour. *Please find the event calendar attached.*

The Musketeers membership consists of 3 terms, the first term lasting 12 weeks, the second term lasting 12 weeks and the third 6 weeks. Julie Dyer is remaining as lead coach, and she will be assisted by other trained coaches to make the sessions fun while also developing fencers' skills and techniques.

To confirm your place, please ask a parent or guardian to complete the attached membership form. Please indicate on the membership form whether all terms will be paid for now or whether they will be paid for in installments before the start of each term. The form should be returned to Liesel Lindsay, at the following address;

Woodcote, Clos Du Baugy, Grande Rue, Vale, GY3 5HN

Please enclose either a cheque made payable to "The Sarnia Sword Club", or confirmation that your parent/guardian has made the payment online.

In addition to the membership form, all fencers must have a British Fencing membership. The membership covers insurance and is **compulsory** in order to be a member of the Musketeers. **YOU MUST** provide Liesel with your British Fencing number after the first week of fencing.

British Fencing has different membership categories, and a guide to help understand them is attached. We require "**Recreational**" membership as a minimum, and if a Musketeer wishes to take part in any Island or British competitions, then a "**Complete**" membership is needed. If you are a new member please select **Introduction to Fencing**; this will give you 3 months of free membership. Please email [musketeerssarnia@gmail.com](mailto:musketeerssarnia@gmail.com) if you have any queries.

All Musketeers must wear a T-shirt, breeches or **undamaged jeans** (no leggings, however tracksuit bottoms are acceptable) and trainers. Please note that it is important that the correct clothing is worn for personal safety, and for insurance purposes. We also suggest that water is brought to every training session. All other equipment will be provided and issued on loan for the season. Musketeers should bring an old pillowcase with their name on; this will be used to keep their fencing kit in and will be stored in a locked cupboard at Beau Sejour. We recommend that all Musketeers start looking at getting their own kit, please find an equipment list attached for further information.

If you have any questions, please contact Liesel by email at [musketeerssarnia@gmail.com](mailto:musketeerssarnia@gmail.com)