

Green Mountain Division
Annual Meeting – Proposed Agenda
12 pm, June 17, 2012

Election results

Motion: accept the results of the on-line poll as our official election results for division officers.

Words of Wisdom from the Prez

Discussion: -Electric Bibs
-Knickers
-USFA membership

From the Vice President's Desk:

Discussion: -Publicizing our tournaments better to nearby divisions
-Kid membership/attendance

And in the Treasurer's Corner

Discussion: -2011/12 season financial picture
-Budget related issues
-Event fees: Should they go up?

2012/13 Competition Calendar

Discussion: This past season's schedule (2011/12). 12 weekend competitions and 1 clinic

-Fall Foliage Classic, UVM	Sept 24
-WSC Open & Youth, Essex Jct.	Oct 16
-Development Day "Women & Children First", Vergennes	Nov 5
-JO Qualifiers, Vergennes	Nov 12
-Upper Valley Mens & Womens Holiday Open & Y12, Sharon	Dec 4
-Mid Vermont Melee, Duxbury	Jan 7
-Groundhog Open, Westport	Jan 28
-Annual Foil Epee Doubles Tournament, Sharon	Feb 25
-19 th Annual Middlebury Open, Middlebury	Mar 4 – 5
-WSC "Spring into Action" D & Youth, Burlington	Apr 1
-GMD Spring Fling, UVM	May 6
-Full Circle Foil, Westport	May 12
-Fort Ti, Ticonderoga	May 26

Review the attendance spreadsheet with data from the last 4 years.

Discussion: Proposed schedule for the 2012/13 season

Sept.: Fall Foliage Classic
Oct.: Open & Youth
Nov.: Development Day
Nov.: JO Qualifiers
Dec.: Open & Youth
Jan.: Open & ????
Feb.: Groundhog Open
Feb.: Foil Epee Doubles
Mar.: Middlebury Open
Apr.: D & Youth
Apr.: Summer Nat. Qual.
May: Full Circle Foil
May: Fort Ti

Along with scheduling, here are some other points to discuss:

- Youth events: participation has fallen sharply in the last 2 seasons (although the number of kids taking fencing, at least at the VFA, has remained roughly constant). Should we hold fewer youth meets? What can we do to encourage participation?
- What can we do to draw more adult and teen beginners into competition? I (Viveka) am especially interested in drawing more adults into recreational competition (these are our future division officers, assistant coaches, etc).
- How to avoid some of the scheduling snafus we had this year.
- How did the gender specific events fair? Should we continue?
- Development Day ideas
- Ref clinic?

Motion: Come up with a provisional competition schedule and accept. Host clubs agree to book venues as soon as possible and keep President (Don) updated on progress.

Open Discussion

New business

Miscellaneous topics

Any issues or suggestions not already discussed