



Beginners Course – 19 January 2012 (and/or Taster Session 12 January 2012)

Dear Prospective Fencer,

Thank you for the interest you have registered on Wellesbourne Sword Club's (WSC) website.

This year our 8 session Autumn Beginners' Course will start on **Thursday 19th January 2012**. For those who may be unsure and would like to find out a bit more about fencing before committing to the course we will also be conducting a Taster Session on Thursday 12th January 2012. Even if you have already registered for the Beginners' Course you may still find a Taster Session useful. Please contact me on foil4pedro-wsc@yahoo.co.uk or as below if you would like to arrange a Taster Session.

Time & Venue for sessions

Both Taster Sessions & the Beginners' Course sessions will start at 8pm on courts 5-7 in the main sports hall at Wycombe Sports Centre near junction 4 of the M40. A map is available on the link on our website www.wellesbourneswordclub.co.uk.

Course format

Taster Session – will consist of a one hour introduction to fencing by one of our qualified coaches.

Beginners Course - The course will be led by Sylvia Brown who will teach you the basics of fencing generally & you should be at Grade 1 foil standard by the end of the course. The course will be 8 sessions of about 1.5 hours with a 15 minute warm up/warm down period.

Equipment - Fencing equipment will be provided but you should come dressed for sporting activity. Tracksuit (or similar long, loose fitting) trousers, t-shirt and non-marking trainers are best.

Fees

Taster Session - a fee of £10 is required on the night.

Beginners Course - the fee is £75 and is required at least 7 days in advance. You will be required to purchase Social Membership from British Fencing which costs £10 and provides insurance cover (see below). Those going on to the Beginners' Course from a Taster Session will receive a £5 discount so paying only £80 in total.

Payment may be made by cheque made payable to "**Wellesbourne Sword Club**". Please do not delay returning the attached application form and payment.

Important:

We regret we are unable to accept children under the age of 13.

Application/indemnity forms for under 18's must be signed by their parent or guardian.

Minimum numbers are required for courses to run but places are still limited and are allocated on a first come first served basis. Due to high demand refunds to successful Beginners' Course applicants will not be made after 14 days before the start of the course. Refunds will however be made to unsuccessful applicants or in the unlikely event that WSC has to cancel the course.

Indemnity

Fencing is an extremely safe sport and serious injury is very rare. Nevertheless it is necessary that the club be indemnified against claims that may be made against it or its officers. **Please ensure you complete in full, sign and return the Indemnity Form available on our website.** In addition to emergency contact information the record of your address, phone number and email also helps us to keep in touch.

Insurance (British Fencing Social Membership)

For the Taster Session the Club's insurance will be sufficient but for the protection of those on the Beginners' Course the club requires that you purchase one year's Social Membership of British Fencing. This provides added ongoing personal insurance cover for the course and fencing within the Club for a cost of £10. The membership form is available by selecting your appropriate home country link at www.britishfencing.com/membership. **Please ensure that you bring your Social Membership confirmation with you for the first course session.**

Please return completed your completed form(s) and payment to me at:
27 Talbot Avenue, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 5HZ (Telephone: 07803 132370 – evenings preferably please)

Finally, I look forward to seeing you & hope we can inspire you to take up this rewarding sport.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Roberts

Peter Roberts
Chairman – Wellesbourne Sword Club



Taster/Course Application Form

I apply for the applicant named below to attend *(please tick as appropriate)*:

- the Wellesbourne Sword Club (WSC) Taster Session on 12th January 2012
 the Wellesbourne Sword Club Beginners' Course starting 19th January 2012

and enclose my cheque payable to "Wellesbourne Sword Club" for:

- £10 (*Taster Session only*) / £75 (*Beginners' Course only*) / £80 (*both*)

and

- I enclose my completed indemnity form
 (available at <http://www.wellesbourneswordclub.co.uk/content/IndemnityForm.pdf>)

and (if applying for a Beginners Course)

- I confirm that I will be taking Social Membership of British Fencing
 (details and application form at www.britishfencing.com/membership.)

Please complete in block capitals as applicable

Applicant Name			
Age (if under 18)			
Parent/guardian name (if applicant under 18)			
Signed (by parent/guardian if applicant under 18)			Date.....
Address			
Postcode		Phone	
E-mail			