



2017 Koala Mini Challenge & 2017 Friendship Team Cup

24th – 26th November
Sydney, NSW

NSW Fencing Association would like to invite the young fencers of your Fencing Association to attend the "Friendship Cup Weekend". The 2017 Friendship Cup – Team Championships are held in conjunction with the U/7, U/9, U/11 and U/13 Koala Mini Challenge - Individual Championships. NSWFA will invite Minime Fencers from Australia, Asian and Oceania to attend.

Dates: Friday 24th to Monday 26th November 2017

Venue: NSW Fencing Centre
Building 2 / Level 1
190 Bourke Road
Alexandria
NSW 2015

Timetable:

Tuesday – Thursday 3:00pm – 8:30pm
Preparation Camp – ALL Weapons

Friday 24th 9:00am – 6:00pm (TBC)
“Koala Mini Challenge” - NSW 2017 State / School Championships
U/7 Individual Foil, Sabre and Epee

“Koala Mini Challenge” - NSW 2017 State / School Championships
U/7 - U/13 Individual Sabre and Epee
“ Friendship Cup”
U/9 – U/13 Teams Sabre and Epee

Saturday 25th 9:00am – 6:00pm (TBC)
“Koala Mini Challenge” - NSW 2017 State / School Championships
U/9 – U/13 Individual Foil

Sunday 26th 9:00am – 6:00pm (TBC)
“ Friendship Cup”
U/9 – U/13 Teams Foil

Equipment: U/7 - U/11 Fencers:

Foil, Sabre and Epee Blade Size: 0 – 3 mini blades
800N Underplastron,
350N Jacket and breeches (thick long tracksuit pants may be worn)
Long socks
Chest protectors for girls
U/7 - U/11 Epee: Both boys and girls must wear chest protectors

U/13 Fencers:

Foil, Sabre and Epee Blade Size: No restrictions
350N Jacket & Breeches (FIE is recommended, but not mandatory)
800N Underplastron
Long socks
Chest protectors for girls
U/13 Epee: Both boys & girls must also wear chest protectors
Foil Bib masks are not required for any age category (but can be used)

* All Fencers (U/7, U/9, U/11 & U/13) must wear 800N underplastron

Entry Fee: All Fencers must be either Junior Registered or Junior Affiliated with their Association or State.

Individual Entry Fee	\$35
Second entry	\$25
Team entry	Free
Camp	Free

* Team entry must be sent in by overseas based Australian State Associations, Countries or overseas based Clubs.
* If a state or country has insufficient number of fencers of one gender for a team, they may enter a composite gender teams within their age group.

- Formula for teams will be sent closer to date.
- Fencers competing in Team events are also kindly asked to compete in the Individual Championships

In the spirit of 'Friendship' the Team Event is free. NSWFA will need to know expressions of interest or confirmed numbers for the Team competition by **Tuesday 31st October**.

To assist with hosting an event of this size, NSW Fencing Association asks that States provide Referees & or DT (able to operate "en Garde") for the event.

Referee	1-3 Fencers	no referee required
	4-9 Fencers	1 referee required & or DT
	10 or more	2 referees required + DT

All groups are asked to appoint a "Team Manager" for assist with direct communication point and group entry.

How to enter?

Individual Entry can be completed through the entry link listed below

Australian Registration Link:

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=26616>

Overseas Fencer Registration Link:

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=26617>

Team Entry – Please send Friendship Cup team entry to this email.

Team entry close date – **1st November 2017**.

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In 2016 we had just under 400 individual competitors and around 65 teams, lets make it more in 2017!

Contact emails:

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If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,
Alex Andre

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