



CHALLENGE

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INVITATION TO CHALLENGE EUGÈNE FILLOL

INTERNATIONAL EPEE COMPETITION IN STOCKHOLM FOR MEN AND WOMEN

Eugène Fillol Challenge Prize
Johan Harmenberg's Honorary Prize
Her Royal Highness Princess Birgitta's Honorary Prize



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FFF welcomes all international fencers, men and women, to the first international epee competition in the name of Maître d'armes Eugène Fillol.

We are looking forward to an exciting and challenging competition with very special prizes for the winners.

With this new international epee competition, FFF wants to honour Sweden's first Maître d'Armes, Monsieur Eugène Fillol, who was active at FFF from year 1901 to 1914. FFF's ambition and expectation for this competition is that it will become one of the largest and most popular fencing competitions in the Nordic region.

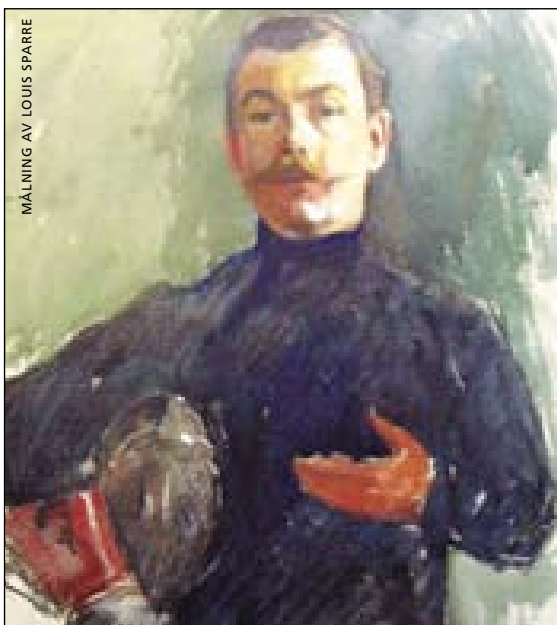
EUGÈNE FILLOL CHALLENGE PRIZE

As a maître d'armes at FFF between the years 1901 and 1914, Maître Eugène Fillol was one of the driving forces behind the creation of modern fencing in Sweden. When he left Sweden to defend his country in World War One, he never left his position as maître d'armes. Sadly, he never returned to FFF as he gave his life for France during the war. Before leaving Sweden he instituted a challenger's prize for FFF to be won at the club's internal 3 days championship. The magnificent statue he donated has been cared for by FFF and its members throughout the years. It will now be reinstated as a challenge prize, this time for the competition that will bare his name. Each year's winners will have their names engraved on a silver plaque on the base.

JOHAN HARMENBERG HONORARY PRIZE 7000:-

Johan Harmenberg's Honorary Prize is divided into two parts. The winner of the men's competition will receive a prize of 5000SEK. Additionally 2000SEK will be awarded to the best junior fencer in the men's competition.

Johan is FFF's most successful fencer of all time and is the only Swedish fencer that has won an individual Olympic gold medal.



MÅLNING AV LOUIS SPARRE

*Fillol,
Maître d'armes
at FFF between
the years 1901
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Additionally, he has won several World Championship medals and many other international victories. To us at FFF, it is obvious that the prize in the men's competition should bare our foremost member's name.

HER ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCESS BIRGITTA HONORARY PRIZE 7000:-

Her Royal Highness Princess Birgitta has been a member of FFF since 1958. When she retired as an active fencer in 1961 she was awarded a lifetime honorary membership. During the princess' fencing career she was a member of the FFF foil team that won the Swedish Championship in 1960. It is an honour and a privilege for FFF to be able to dedicate this prize to Her Royal Highness. We hope that the winner in the women's competition is equally honoured.

The winner of the women's championship will receive 5000SEK and 2000SEK will be awarded to the best junior fencer in the women's competition.

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FÖRENINGEN FÖR FÄKTKONSTENS FRÄMJANDE

FFF – the oldest fencing club in Sweden – has during the years fostered very successful fencers that have been awarded Olympic medals, World Championships and more than one hundred Swedish Championships. Almost all famous Swedish fencers and leaders have fenced in our fencing hall. Their names include Sven Thofelt, Orwar Lindwall, Dag Åkerberg, Bela Rerrich and, of course, Johan Harmenberg, 1977 World Champion and 1980 Olympic gold medalist.

Today, our french maître d'armes, Thierry Trottein, is in charge of fostering our fencers. With his five french championships and several medals from world cup and other international competitions. Maître Trottein brings a deep knowledge and profound experience. Today's focus at FFF is on our young fencers. Our hope is that they one day will make Swedish fencing the great sport it has been in Sweden and is internationally. Challenge Eugène Fillol is a step in that direction.



FOTOGRAF URBAN ORZOLEK



The Competition will take place in Stockholm, Åkeshovshallen, 13-14th of May 2006 with individual competitions on Saturday and team competitions on Sunday.

REGISTRATION

To enter the competition you need to register on our homepage www.fff-faktning.se or send us an email at filliol@fff-faktning.se no later than the 5th of May. If using email please indicate name of fencer, fencing club, nationality and if the registration is for the individual and/or team competition.

ACCOMMODATION

SCANDIC BROMMA (Hotel) phone +46 (0)8 517 341 00. The hotel is located at Brommaplan just outside Stockholm and within 15 minutes walk from Åkeshovshallen. Using the underground will shorten the trip to 5 minutes. A discounted price of 600SEK for a single room, 687SEK for a double room,

will be available for participants in the competition if you refer to "sportprice" at time of reservation.

FRIDHEMSPLAN VANDRARHEM (Hostel) phone +46 (0)8 is a cheaper alternative located at St Eriksplan 20 in Stockholm. It will take 20 minutes with the underground to get to Åkeshov. The price for shared sleeping quarters is 240SEK, for a double room 585SEK.

TRANSPORTATION

BY UNDERGROUND Use the "Green" line westbound leaving the city and get off at "Åkeshov". The sports center is located on the other side of Bergslagsvägen and can clearly be seen from the underground station.

BY CAR Leave the city and drive towards Bromma. After passing over Tranebergsbron continue straight on. After passing 4 large intersections you will see Åkeshovshallen on your right hand side. At the fifth intersection turn right and then right again and you will find the sports center. Parking is just outside the premises.

PROGRAMME SATURDAY, 13TH OF MAY

Individual Competitions
09.00 AM – Appeal for men
09.30 AM – Appeal for women
04.00 PM – Final

SUNDAY, 14TH OF MAY

Team Competitions
0900 AM – Appeal for mens teams
10.30 AM – Appeal for women teams
03.00 PM – Final

PRIZES INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS

Inscription in challenge prize
5000SEK to winner. 2000SEK to best junior fencer*

FACTS

ENTRY FEE

Individual start €15
Team €35

LOCATION:

Stockholm/Åkeshovshallen
Bergslagsvägen 60
Bromma, Stockholm
Underground Åkeshov

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

The rules of the FIE and the Swedish Fencing Federation apply. Exceptions are that FIE blades are not mandatory but recommended and there is no need for an FIE license. However, we do require that all fencers are registered with their national fencing federation.

INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS

The individual competitions will have two rounds of poules and a direct elimination without repechage.

Team competitions

Will only have a direct elimination with fencing for all positions. The ranking of the teams will be determined by Saturday's individual results. Teams consisting of members from different fencing clubs are allowed to participate.

REFEREES

Fencers are obligated to referee the poules and knocked out fencers will referee the direct eliminations. We urge participating Nordic fencing clubs to make competent referees available to the directoire technique throughout the competition.

The organisers reserve the right to make changes if necessary.

*The prize for best junior will be awarded to the best fencer born 1986 or later in the men's and women's competition respectively.



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FÖRENINGEN FÖR FÄKTKONSTENS FRÄMJANDE



EUGÈNE FILLOLS CHALLENGE PRIZE

Created in Paris by the french artist Henry E.R. Fugère. The statue of a gothic fencer, molded in solid bronze, is 60cm high and weighs almost 17 kilos, and was donated in 1912 by the french maître d'armes, Eugène Fillol, to Föreningen för Fäktkonstens Främjande as a challenge prize. Each winner will get his or her name engraved on a silver plaque on the base of the statue.