



Hello British, does your club have Premier partnerships?

July 2017 saw the announcement of a new partnership between British Fencing and Premier that would see school children up and down the country, being given the opportunity to participate in fencing.

We have recently caught up with Premier in Taunton, Somerset, to understand how they have been linking with local fencing clubs to develop the partnership at a local level. Clubs are crucial to driving these partnerships with their local Premier franchise to ensure those children that would like to participate in community fencing have the opportunity to do so.

There are a number of benefits of bridging the gap between Premier and your club which include; an increase in club members, identify any future talent, raised profile within your community and school network, improved financial opportunities and having a pool of potential future coaches, club officials or volunteers.

Below you will find a short article on Premier in Taunton and their relationship with clubs in area, in particularly Wellington Swords. If you would like to be put in touch with your local Premier franchise, [contact us](#) and we will put you in touch.

Taunton
Premier

NEW MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

Free Introduction Membership

British Fencing, England Fencing, and all the



Home Nations are delighted to announce a brand new, free, membership type to support clubs with attracting, retaining and registering new participants to the sport. We recognise the great work clubs do to welcome new people and we want to provide a mechanism for affiliated clubs to deliver an additional benefit to new people participating in beginner courses!

It is called 'Introduction' (to fencing) and is targeted at brand new people starting, or who have recently started beginner courses, at BF registered fencing clubs across the UK.

You will find the following pieces of information on the British Fencing website to provide all the information you will need;

1. Membership Benefits
2. How to video and PDF guide to activating this new membership
3. A flyer to include in your welcome pack and/or print - [find it here!](#)
4. Membership T&Cs and Insurance Overview
6. FAQs

This membership marks a change to our term and conditions, please find them attached below. In summary, for all fencers registered on club beginner courses to be covered by the British Fencing insurance policy, they must be an Introduction member of British Fencing.

There is a grace period until Thursday 4th May 2018 to give clubs time to get their fencers registered for membership.

[Membership T&Cs](#)

[Introduction Membership](#)

TALENT PATHWAY UPDATE

**Your Invitation to find out more
about British Fencing's Talent
Development Pathway**

You are invited to the upcoming British Fencing Talent Development Centre and



Talent Pathway information weekend at the David Ross Sports Village at The University of Nottingham on Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th May 2018.

The weekend will provide an opportunity for clubs to find out more about the Talent Development Centre model British Fencing is developing including the philosophy behind developing the centres, and why we are developing these to empower the fencing community. There will also be an opportunity to learn more about the British Fencing Talent programme and provide feedback and input.

Lunch will be provided on both days and for those staying Saturday night, dinner will be provided.

Timetable: Saturday 12th May 10.30am - 5.45pm & Sunday 13th May 9am- 2.30pm. The full timetable will be sent following registration.

Attendance is free of charge, but spaces are highly limited, and registration is required. To register please complete the webform below.

For more information, please contact Steve Garrett, Talent Pathway Manager, [here](#)

[Event Registration](#)

BRITISH FENCING ANNUAL AWARDS

Do you want recognise your club members, officials or volunteers great work? Nominate them in the British Fencing Awards!

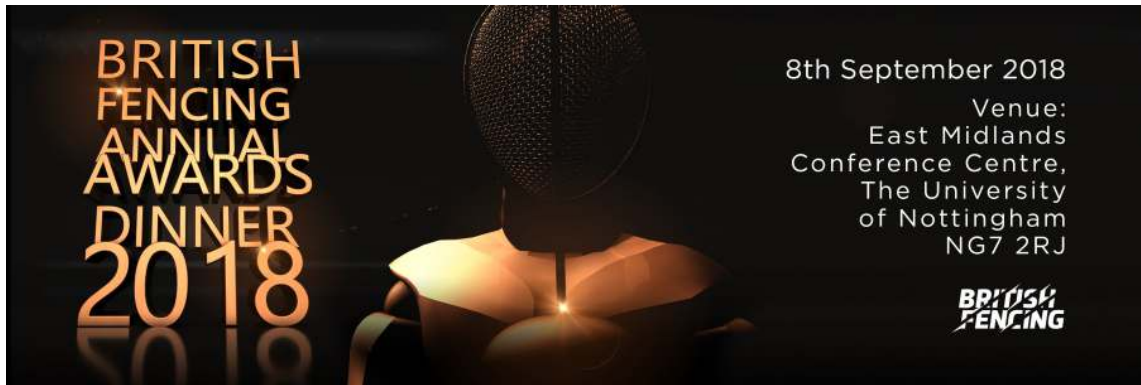
The annual British Fencing Awards Dinner returns this September and will again recognise some of the best clubs, coaches, fencers and volunteers for their contribution to fencing. A fundraiser for the Cadet and Junior GB International Squad the event will be held on the Saturday evening of the Cadet and Junior Championships.

Nominations are now open and close on 1st August 2018. Full details of the awards categories, the awards criteria and how to submit nominations can be found below.

Tickets for the dinner will be sale from early April through Sport80 [here](#). Last year's dinner sold out so take advantage of the early bird ticket offer and purchase your tickets before May 25th. Tickets start from £40 for adults and £30 for U18's.

[Full Details Here](#)

[Nominate Today](#)



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England Fencing are inviting sponsors for the new Team kit for the Commonwealth Junior Cadet Fencing Championships in Newcastle. Beth Davidson, Director of Representative Fencing says "This is a fantastic opportunity for a company or companies to partner with us for this major championships being held in England!"

Beth also says "The venue of Northumbria University for the Commonwealths is going to look fantastic with its Olympic style piste presentation for fencers to experience during the 10 days of competition! We want English fencers to look and have a World Class event!"

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