Yearly report Sweden 2022/2023

Finally, after the pandemic, we could go back to accurate fencing-training again and everyone is happy with that. Starting in Zadar, Croatia, on World Championships was great and got us together again and was a very positive thing, encouraging the most enthusiastic fencers to fight for a place in the team.

Still we have only two veteran-competitions in Sweden, that is the national championships and Malmö International. We are working on another one to be hold in Stockholm in the winter where the federation has a good venue booked year after year for a youth competition but it can be extended to veterans too. We think it would be a good and interesting combination to use the venue, material and time well.

The amount of licensed fencers from the age of 40 and over has this year been 101 persons.

The official veteran committee with connections to the national board had some digital discussions and the main subject is to reach the goal of having a fair ranking. This is not an easy job, particularly as we have such few competitions and as many of our veteranfencers still compete in the senior competitions. If the fencers have to choose, many prefer the more tough senior competitions, which however can be too tough for some of the older fencers.

Swedish fencers has continued to participate in the European Veteran Circuit and we encourage all and everyone to take part, mostly in our own Facebook-group Svensk Veteranfäktning.

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