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EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS VETERANS TEAMS COGNAC 2026
REPORT OF THE BELGIAN REPRESENTATIVE

Dear all,

The number of veterans in our country is at present still on about 90.

As usual, we organised the national championships, this year the weekend of April 11th and 12th.

This year we introduced a new category "V0", as from 35 years.

To enable "young" people to try what it is to fence with the veterans, and hoping they will join the veterans family.

Our championships were successful, quite a lot more fencers, due partly to this new category.

Most of people attending them were very satisfied about it.

Indeed, we always try to let people fence a maximum.

We still organise the two competitions, Belgian championships and EVF tournament on saber the same weekend to give the possibility to the saber fencers to participate on both the competitions, then the EVF tournament, as well as individual on Saturday, as on teams on Sunday, giving them a good opportunity to warm up !

EVF circuit tournament on saber in Liege that same weekend.

73 participants of 11 countries.

On Sunday team competition, with 12 teams of 6 countries.

As last year, the fencers particularly appreciated the friendly atmosphere and the video review system.

It may be said that it was a success, as well as the individual on Saturday as the teams on Sunday.

We have a good past year, amongst others with both titles European and world on epee V4 with our Jean Stock.

Some other goods places in ranking on the evf circuit, and attendance.

Despite medical problems, yes we are veterans ! of some of our fencers, we manage to have 5 teams in Cognac :

Veterans : epee men, epee women, foil men, saber men.

Grand veterans : epee men.

I'll be in Cognac, but unfortunately I shall not attend the EVF congress.

In the meantime, take good care of yourself and your loved ones, and be careful

Wish you good receipt, and wish you a good stay and good results in Cognac.

Best wishes

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