

"COUPE CURACAO" - 2009

2nd INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP VETERANS FENCING TOURNAMENT

After the successful 1st International Friendship Veterans Fencing Tournament held in 2008, the Organizing Committee is organizing the 2nd Tournament in April 2009. We are committed to make these Friendship Veterans Fencing Tournaments in Curacao (the first of its kind in the Caribbean) one of the most attractive annual events in the world of veteran fencing .

With the support from the Pan American and the Central American & Caribbean Fencing Confederations, the Foundation for the Future of Fencing and the SEDREKO Foundation the participants at the 2008 Coupe Curacao had a wonderful time.

The tournament is an **open tournament**, but this time we have received once more commitments from **world class veteran fencers who will come to Curacao, some to defend their cup title obtained in 2008**, others to show their skills, their elegance and their speed.

The Coupe Curacao 2009 will have veteran fencing on **3 weapons: Foil, Epée and Sabre**. Each is contested by **men and women**. Apart from the 50-59, 60+ age categorie this second tournament in 2009 will have also a 40-49 age category.

Fencing will take place this time **in the centrally located sports / auditorium of the International School of Curacao in Emmastad**.

Social events will not only concentrate **in the World Heritage City of Willemstad** but also on the **unique natural surroundings of the island of Curacao (beaches, parks, neighborhoods)**.

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How To Enter

Any veteran fencer from age 40 up can enter this 2nd international friendship tournament. National federations have been requested to enter their national team members. Email the Organizing Committee to find out if your National Federation has appointed a Team Manager.

An entry fee of **US\$ 70 per participant per weapon** is payable in advance or in cash (US\$) at registration in Curacao.

The closing date is March 31, 2009

[No Entry Restrictions](#)

The number of entries per federation is not limited neither per country, neither per age group, neither per weapon.

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Timetable

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Competition

Thursday, April 16, 2009

Arrival of delegations

Free day for leisure

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|---------------|----------------------------------------|
| 14:30 – 19:00 | Registration |
| 14:30 – 19:00 | Weapon control (for next day's events) |
| 15:30 | Meeting of Team Managers |
| 16:30 | Meeting of Referees |
| 20:00 – 22:00 | Reception |

Friday, April 17, 2009

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|---------------|-------------------------------------------|
| 08:00 – 19:00 | Registration |
| 08:00 – 19:00 | Weapon control (for next day's events) |
| 08:30 | Women's Sabre (60+); Men's Epee (40-49) |
| 13:30 | Women's Foil (50-59); Men's Sabre (50-59) |
| 15:00 | Men's Foil (60+); Women's Sabre (40-49) |
| 19:00 | Finals |
| 20:30 | Presentations |

Saturday, April 18, 2009

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|---------------|------------------------------------------|
| 08:00 – 19:00 | Registration |
| 08:00- 19:00 | Weapon control (for next day's events) |
| 08:30 | Women's Foil (60+); Men's Foil (40-49) |
| 10:30 | Men's Sabre (60+); Women's Foil (40-49) |
| 13:30 | Women's Épée (50-59); Men's Épée (50-59) |
| 18:30 | Finals |
| 20:00 | Presentations |

Sunday, 19 April 2008

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|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 08:00 – 19:00 | Registration |
| 08:00- 19:00 | Weapon control (remains open to provide assistance) |
| 08:30 | Women's Epee (60+); Men's Foil (50-59) |
| 10:30 | Men's Sabre (40-49); Women's Sabre (50-59) |
| 13:30 | Men's Épée (60+); Women's Épée (40-49) |
| 18:00 | Finals |
| 19:30 | Presentations |
| 20:30 | Closing Ceremonies at Gala Dinner |

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Meetings

The following meetings will take place at the competition venue:

Thursday April 16

09:00hrs – 11:00hrs: Directoire Technique

11:00hrs – 12:30hrs: Referees Meeting / Réunion des Arbitres

14:00hrs – 15:30hrs: Heads of Delegations/ Réunion des chefs de delegations

18:00hrs: Composition of Pools April 17.

Registration

To manage volume and minimize delays large Delegations are requested to make an appointment for registration of Athletes, Referees and Officials. Contact Event Services

Director **Marivia Tuast**

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Accreditation will be issued on registration. Accreditation is required for venue entry or a ticket will be required.

Registrations will be held at the venue, and are accepted at the following times:

April 16

08:00 - 12:00 hrs: April 17, 18 &19 events

14:30 - 19:00 hrs: April 17, 18 &19 events

April 17

08:00 - 19:00 hrs: April 18 &19 events

April 18

08:30 - 18:00 hrs: April 19 events

Equipment Control

Equipment Control will take place at the competition venue

The **number of articles per fencer** handed to the Checking Centre for each event is limited to:

- Four weapons
- Four bodywires
- Two cloves/cuffs
- Two conductive jackets
- Two masks
- Three mask-to-jacket leads
- 1 jacket for épée

Closing Dinner-dansant

On **Sunday April 19** there will be a Closing Dinner-dansant.

Prizes

A **gold, silver and two bronze medals** for each category will be awarded by the organizers.

In each category extra prizes will be awarded by some local, regional and continental sponsors.

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Rules and Conditions

Weapons

There will be individual competitions on the following weapons:

- Women's Foil
- Women's Epée
- Women's Sabre
- Men's Foil
- Men's Epée
- Men's Sabre

Categories

The participants will be divided into three groups according to the age appearing on their passport. A fencer may fence in one category only:

Category A: 40 to 49 years old on April 1, 2009

Category B: 50 to 59 years old on April 1, 2009

Category C: 60 years old or more on April 1, 2009

Accreditation

The following documents must be presented at the time of accreditation / registration:

- Valid Passport
- Medical Certificate (attesting to participant's fitness to compete)
 - competitors must provide a Medical Certificate, signed by a registered medical practitioner, clearing the participant to engage in vigorous physical activity. Suggested simple wording is: "I confirm that (athlete full names) is fit to participate in the International Veterans' Tournament in Curacao in April 2008", with doctor's details and signature.

At time of registration / accreditation the fencer has to sign a disclaimer accepting their own responsibility for participation (Discharge of Responsibility).

Also upon registration payment of the registration fee and for the gala dinner is required.

FIE Licence

For this friendship tournament at the time of entry an FIE license is not required.

Formula

Pools of 6 or 7 fencers, bouts of 5 hits or 3 minutes.

After the pools, direct elimination of 10 hits, 2 periods of 3 minutes, with one minute break between each period; in Sabre, 1 minute break after 5 hits.

If there are fewer than 10 fencers in a category, there will be a single pool.

Equipment Control

For safety it is advised that the personal equipment of the fencers comply to the FIE rules. Control of the equipment will take place the day before each competition. **In case of non-compliance only the organizers can provide approval.**

Referees

It is recommended that participating delegations are accompanied by the number of **A or B category referees with current FIE licences:**

1-4 fencers = no obligation

5-9 fencers = 1 referee

10 or more fencers = 2 referees.

If a delegation is unable to provide its quota of referees then the organizers will appoint referees of the Pan American and Caribbean region

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Venue

The competition venue for the Second International "COUPE CURACAO" Friendship Veteran Fencing Tournament will be:

Sports Auditorium of the International School of Curacao

- located in Emmastad
- 15 mins drive from the airport
- 10 mins drive to the center of the capital Willemstad

The competition venue is next to the ISLA refinery and the **Curaçao Golf and Squash Club** in Emmastad

hotels in 10-15 minutes driving distance of the venue:

PUNDA – MARIE PAMPOEN AREA

- Avila Hotel
- Breezes Curacao Resort Spa & Casino
- Lions Dive & Beach Resort
- Plaza Hotel Curacao

OTRABANDA AREA

- Clarion Hotel & Suites Curacao
- Curacao Marriott Beach Resort & Emerald Casino
- Curacao Hilton Hotel
- Floris Suite Hotel
- Holiday Beach Hotel & Casino
- Renaissance Curacao Resort & Casino
- Hotel Kura Holanda Spa & Casino
- Otrabanda Hotel & casino
- Howard Johnson Curacao Plaza & Casino

Tourist Attractions

The World Heritage City of Willemstad is a 5-10 minutes drive from the Venue. There are many more attractions in Curacao. Please visit www.curacao.com

Season

365 days a year summertime

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Reception

Thursday, April 16

The Lieutenant-Governor of Curacao and the Commissioner of Tourism of the Island Territory of Curacao invites the participants of the International Friendship Veterans fencing Tournament to a Reception.

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Opening Ceremony

Friday April 17

The Opening Ceremony will take place in the Fencing Hall in the sports / auditorium of the International School of Curacao

The ceremony will last about half an hour and will include a welcome from the Lieutenant Governor of Curacao, the Commissioner of Sports and the Commissioner of Tourism, the Presidents of Netherlands Antillean Fencing Federation and the Curacao Amateur Fencing Federation, the President of the Panamerican and Central American and Caribbean Fencing Confederation.

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Closing Ceremony

Sunday, April 19

The Closing Ceremony will take place in the Fencing Hall.

The ceremony will include the handing of the prizes of the sponsors to the participants.

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Closing Dinner-Dansant

Sunday, April 19

The Closing Dinner-Dansant will be held on Sunday evening. Tickets will be available for purchase in advance.

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Tours

A number of organized tours are available. Willemstad and the surrounding area are rich in history. But also the island trips are recommended. A useful source of information is the Curacao Tourism Office. (www.curacao.com)

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On Your Own

- There are many museums, shops and streets to explore in the World Heritage City of Willemstad.
- You can also visit many attractions outside of Willemstad on your own renting a car or a motorbike. Visit the Curacao Tourism Office or the www.curacao.com website for more information

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How To Get There



Travel

Traveling, accommodation and boarding expenses are the responsibility of the participants.

airline information. The airport from Curacao is called the Curacao International Airport.

Please see the travel and accommodation possibilities on the www.curacao.com website.

Local Transport

Public transport is available either by bus or by taxi to the competition venue in the International School of Curacao in Emmastad.

The organizing committee will provide shuttle transportation between the competition venue and your respective hotel.

Taxis and car rentals are usually available from outside the airport, from the center of Willemstad and from each hotel

Where To Stay

Accommodation is available in the hotels all around Willemstad not far from the competition venue in the International School of Curacao **in 10-15 minutes driving distance** in the historic city of Willemstad.

Rooms are sold on a first come basis so it is recommended that you book early to secure the hotel of your choice.

For booking or more information visit www.curacao.com

Contacts

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More Information

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