



Ontario Fencing Association

High Performance Development Program

2019-2020

Overview:

As all other programs at the OFA, COVID-19 really affected negatively the HPDP. The three weapons were affected differently. The intention with the program was to build-up on last year's and keep building the program. This year, two training camps were planned per weapons mostly in the GTA. As usual, if someone is living out of the region of both camps, financial support was made available to the athlete to compensate (out-of-town support program).

The foil program was the least affected by the pandemic as both camps happened before the first lockdown. The sabre program held only one camp and both epee camps were planned for March and after. A total of three camps were held during the season.

Human resources:

- Maxime Brinck-Croteau, technical director and HPDP Coordinator.
- Alice Lu, weapon leader – foil.
- David Howes, weapon leader – épée.
- Vincent Brazeau, weapon leader – sabre.
- Samuel Hardwicke-Brown and Eleanor Harvey, extra coach – foil.

Registrations:

We had a total of 32 foil attendances and 18 sabre attendances. After all salary, expenses, rental costs, reimbursements (for cancelled training camps and out-of-town support), the program still generated profits of \$38 without the implication of the epee camps which are the most lucrative of the three weapons due to attendances. As usual, profits are used in the following year for the growth of the program.

Events:

December 14-15 2019: Foil camp #1. Held at Toronto Fencing Club, 22 athletes, 3 coaches.

February 15-16 2020: Sabre camp #1. Held at HuaHua Fencing Club, 18 athletes, 1 coach, 2 members of the senior national team from Montréal.

March 7-8 2020: Foil camp #2. Held at Toronto Fencing Club, 24 athletes, 3 coaches.