

The Advance

e-news for DHS Wildcats Fencing

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Rule on Saturday at Roswell

Finally another tournament to show our stuff - cheer on and good luck to all!

Volunteers Still Needed for This Saturday

Roswell Tournament

We still need 1 "PM Responsible Parent" and 2 "Timekeepers". *Thank you to those who have already signed up:*

- **Pennie Norris** AM Responsible Parent
- **?** - PM Responsible Parent
- **Debra Donovan** - cooler of water.
- **David Kopel, Harry Murphy, and Cailin Thelen** - Refs
- **Karen Kasowski, Michele Garber, ? , and ?** - Timekeeper (*need 2 more*)

SIGN-UP - First-come, first-served!

This Week & Upcoming:

- Wed 11/28 - Team Picture Day
- Thu 11/29 - Regular practice
- Sat 12/1 - Tournament (Round 5) at Roswell H.S.

- Sat 12/15 - HOME Tournament (Round 6)
- Fri, 12/21 - Team Social
- Sat, 12/22-Sun, 1/6 - HAPPY HOLIDAYS!
- Mon, 1/7 - First day of 2nd semester

See our website [calendar](#) to add events to your Google Calendar or see the remaining year-at-a-glance at the bottom of this newsletter.

Eating on Fencing Competition Day: Do's and Don't's!

by Irina Chirashnya

It's fencing tournament day and you've been running around from the moment you arrived. From check in, to warm up, straight to pool play afterward, and then to direct elimination. You are getting more and more agitated... [Read more.](#)

(Worth a second look, this article was given as a hand-out during practice last month and has been a topic of discussion.)

Team Photo This Wednesday

Bring Uniform and Gear

Our team photo and individual shots are scheduled for this Wednesday, the 28th. No time has been announced yet, but everyone needs to bring in their uniforms and equipment on Wednesday. The equipment can be left overnight at the school for Thursday's practice.

Holiday Club Special

Sign Up for 12/21 Through 1/5

Keep your moves in the groove during the December break by taking advantage of Dunwoody Fencing Club's special going on from Dec. 21 - Jan. 5th. See the information below or download the [flyer](#).



Dunwoody Fencing Club HOLIDAY SPECIAL

Current GHSFL fencers, who are not fencing for a USA Fencing club, and their friends interested in trying a new sport are invited to fence at Dunwoody Fencing Club during the holidays at a special discounted rate!



THANKSGIVING BREAK
Nov. 19th through Nov. 26th on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays for only \$25.00.

CHRISTMAS BREAK
Dec. 21st through January 5th on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays only \$60.00/fencer.

Purchase our Christmas Break Package before Nov. 19th and get our Thanksgiving Break Package at half price!

This is a significant discount and is intended to encourage fencers to practice over the holiday breaks.

Our practice facility is located at 735 West Crossville Road in Roswell.
It is the free-standing building between Walgreen's and Pike's Nursery (about 500 yards from Roswell HS)



For more details contact Head Coach, Kathy Vail: (404) 213-7517 / Email: bbhk@mindspring.com
www.DunwoodyFencingClub.com



Home Tournament Sign-up

Volunteers Needed for Saturday, 12/15

Thank you to those who have signed up already! We're in need of filling the remaining volunteer slots. Help make our final home tournament better than the first. [SIGN-UP](#)

Mark Your Summer Calendar

Fencing Camp Dates Approved

We've been approved to hold our 2nd annual DHS Fencing Camp on Monday - Thursday, June 3rd - 6th, 2019. The cafeteria will be ours from 9 am - 1 pm. Plan on attending and helping at our club's money-making and skill-building event.

www.dhsfencing.org



Save the Date!
Team Social - Friday, Dec., 21st
- Soderberg's residence -
- more details coming soon -

Add photos for the year-end photo show

Add photos [HERE](#). (Drag and Drop - [Instructions](#))

Webmaster: [Gary Sonnier](#)

Wildcats Spirit

Women's Team: 4th Place (out of 19)
Men's Team: 9th Place (out of 21)

Fencing jacket embroidery

The fencer's last name is embroidered on the back of the jacket according to USA Fencing protocol and costs around \$20. [Email](#) if you're interested.

Volunteer Opportunities

- **Fundraising Chair:** Reel in financial support for our team.
- **Referee:** become certified, try-it-out at practice.
- **Tournament Volunteer:** Sign up for a job [HERE](#)

Contact: Sharon Murphy - dunwoodyhsfencing@gmail.com or 404.372.7663

Browse Pictures



Consider a sponsorship or donation to keep our team strong.

With a larger team this year, our club continues to grow and with that comes the need for additional equipment and skilled people. This past year we've purchased 2 more electronic fencing strips (\$1,100 each), hired an assistant coach, and we'll cover the cost of referees as needed during tournaments - just a few of the bigger ticket items.

Donations are tax deductible.

Make checks payable to: DHS Wildcats Fencing, Inc.,
which is a 501(c)3 charitable organization.

[Learn more about sponsorship levels.](#)

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Contact: Eric Kasowski - ekasowski@yahoo.com or 404-680-0890

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[Tournament 101](#)
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2018/19 Calendar

See our website [calendar](#) to add events to your Google calendar.

Practices are Thursdays from 3:10pm - 5:30pm at DHS unless noted.

November

15 (Thu): Notify if NOT participating in the Dec. 1 tournament
No scheduled tournaments
No practice during the school break...happy Thanksgiving!
28 (Wed): Team Pictures - **BRING UNIFORM**

December

1 (Sat): Tournament - Round 5; Location: Roswell HS
14 (Fri): EVERYONE! TOURNAMENT PREPARATION after school
15 (Sat): HOME TOURNAMENT at DHS - Round 6
21 (Fri): Team Social at the Soderberg's home
22 (Sat): Start Holiday Break

January

7 (Mon): First day of 2nd semester
12 (Sat): Tournament - Round 7; Location: Lassiter HS
26 (Sat): Individual Championship; Location: Chattahoochee HS

February

2 (Sat): Team Championship; Location: Alpharetta HS
7 (Thu): GHSFL Day at the Capitol (Recognition of GHSFL schools and champions)
End of February - plan to get next year's physical now and check it off your list!

March

TBD: Last Practice Date for the 2018/19

TBD: DHS Pep Rally Demonstration
TBD: End-of-the-Year Banquet
TBD: Demonstration at Peachtree Middle School

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Team captains 2018-19

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