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Hello Veterans

The 2018 Can/Am Veterans Cup is in the books.

Once again it was a huge success.

160 fencers in 187 weapons participated, more than the previous year, at the Vango Toronto Fencing Centre, in Markham, Ontario, Canada.

121 weapons participated in age groups. We set a record of having 13 (70+) fencers

Our American Veterans family once again attended in great numbers, winning 13 Gold medals.

Most of the best Canadian Veterans participated, coming away with 6 Gold, and Russia with 3 Gold medals.

Fencers from the United States, Hong Kong, Russia, Bermuda and Canada, were among the participants.

Thirty one teams competed in all weapons.

Competition was tough, camaraderie was great, and the level of fencing was truly World Class.

Seven World Championships, eleven Commonwealth Championships and two European Championships medalists participated. It is safe to say that the Can/Am Veterans Cup is at par with any Veterans tournament in the Americas.

From the feedback, our DT (Dan Banks and his team) ran a superb tournament efficiently and as timely as possible. The refereeing was very good all around.

Armory headed by our dedicated Pat Morrow, received a lot of praise.

The Gala Dinner/Dance on Saturday was attended by 97 fencers and supporters.

This year’s honoree was Kyle Foster, Canada; He was presented a plaque by the Veterans Committee of the Canadian Fencing Federation, for his accomplishments in and dedication to Veterans fencing.

A “Certificate of Appreciation” was presented to Allan Weinbaum for his ongoing generous support of the Can/Am Veterans Cup.

Women’s Champion at Arms was awarded to: Anne-Marie Walters, USA

Men’s Champion at Arms was awarded to: Francis Lee, Hong Kong

Canadian fencers swept the Men’s Combined Epee competition.

Our Karen Laansoo spoiled a US sweep in women’s Combined Epee.

Our thanks to; Vango management and staff.

Thank you to our hard working volunteers from Ontario, New Jersey, North Carolina and California. Thank you to our generous sponsors and our participating Veterans fencers.

Have a great summer; we’ll see you all (and more veteran fencers) at Can/Am Veterans Cup 2019

Full results: <https://askfred.net/Results/results.php?tournament_id=38970>

Sincere regrets for errors or omissions.