Hoc Habet Ladder Competition 2018 - 2019

1 Introduction

Coming Tuesday Hoc Habet will organize a ladder competition every semester, a so called season (See Table 1 for the actual seasons). Participation is not required, but it is completely without cost. The idea of this competition is to create a more competitive environment in Hoc Habet throughout the year. The system is based on challenges, you can challenge the person above in the ranking to a ladder bout. Each weapon has a ranking list, a so called ladder, which should be updated after each ladder bout (see the rules). After each season a winner will be crowned for each ladder.

2 Rules

Important note In case of doubt, a member of the board should be informed and will make an appropriate (irrefutable) decision.

2.1 General rules

- 1. The ladder ends 2 weeks before the end of the semester (before the exam weeks start).
- 2. On signup, everyone is added on their preferred ladder in alphabetical order (first name).
- 3. If you are not on the ladder and you want to compete after the signup, you will be put at the bottom of the ladder, regardless of the correct alphabetical order.
- 4. You may participate in multiple weapons. Add yourself to the ladders.
- 5. If you are absent more than 4 weeks, the board may decide to put you at the bottom of the ladder.

2.2 Challenge rules

- 1. You may only challenge fencers higher than yourself on the ladder of your preferred weapon.
- 2. When challenging an opponent, it must be clear it is for the ladder competition, either from context or it is explicitly mentioned before the lader bout starts.

2.3 Ladder bout rules

- 1. Ladder bouts may start when the free fencing starts (21:30), you may challenge your opponent before though.
- 2. Ladder bouts may be fenced mechanically, but fencing electrically is a lot more convenient. As long as both parties agree on the result, it is fine.

- 3. Fencers may follow KNAS tournament bout rules, but it is not necessary, i.e. referees, cards, passivity, etc. may be ignored.
- 4. Fencers may decide the number of touches required to win the ladder bout between themselves, with a minimum of 5 touches.
- 5. If the lower ranked fencer beats the higher ranked fencer, the fencers will change positions on the ladder.
- 6. If the higher ranked fencer beats the lower ranked fencer, the ladder rankings of both fencers are not affected.
- 7. If the ladder has to be changed, this should be done directly after the ladder bout.

3 Seasons

| Season # | Start date | End date |
|----------|------------|-----------|
| Season 1 | 23-10-2018 | 15-1-2019 |
| Season 2 | 5-2-2019 | 18-6-2019 |

Table 1: Start and end dates

4 Examples

4.1 Ladders

Consider the ladder for foil (Table 2). Charlie challenges Alice to a ladder bout of 10 touches, and

| Ranking | Fencer |
|---------|---------|
| 1 | Alice |
| 2 | Bob |
| 3 | Charlie |

Table 2: Foil ladder before

she accepts. Charlie wins the ladder bout, and so the ladder will be modified to Table 3:

| Ranking | Fencer |
|---------|---------|
| 1 | Charlie |
| 2 | Bob |
| 3 | Alice |

Table 3: Foil ladder after