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### **Bronze Medal to NB Fencer Cedric Richard in Quebec**

The first Quebec Cadet/Junior fencing competition of the season took place on November 30 in Montreal and the lone New Brunswick fencer, **Cédric Richard** came away with a bronze medal in the cadet (under 17) sabre event.

Cédric, a sixteen year old student at Ecole Samuel-de-Champlain in Saint John and a member of the Fundy Fencing Club was also a member of the NB sabre team at the 2013 Canada Games. He is currently training under provincial coach Xavier Boulet in the NB provincial high performance program.

In the cadet event, Cédric started a little slowly with one victory and two narrow losses (4/5) in the first round. However, he picked up in the second round and went undefeated in his pool which gave him a seeding of 11 in a field of 25 fencers. He easily won his first two elimination matches with scores of 15-1 and 15-6. His third elimination match against American Erik Nimmer was won at 15-13 which placed him in the final four. He then faced Keven Pronovost and lost 15-8 to finish in third place. Keven and his brother Jason Pronovost took gold and silver in the event.

In the junior (under 20 event), Cédric finished in 12<sup>th</sup> place.

The provincial high performance program provides training and support under the guidance of the provincial coach to enable New Brunswick fencers to achieve competitive success at national or international levels.

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