

Georgina Barratt



As a dedicated athlete, I am excited to apply for a position on the Australian Fencing Federation's Athlete Commission. My experience as a competitor and as an applied sports scientist gives me a unique perspective on the challenges and opportunities faced in elite sports today. I currently compete in Women's Foil and have been a member of the Australian Fencing Team since 2012. My longevity in the sport, combined with my professional expertise, equips me to be a strong advocate for athletes' needs and aspirations.

My work as a sports scientist has allowed me to collaborate closely with athletes and staff across various sports and has provided me with valuable insights into successful high-performance programs. This experience has deepened my understanding of the holistic support athletes require to excel in their pursuits.

If elected, my priorities are:

- *Athlete-Centric Initiatives:* Ensuring that decisions and programs prioritise the real needs of athletes, providing holistic, practical, and tangible support to enhance their fencing careers and well-being.
- *Equity and Representation:* Ensuring the voices of all athletes, across all backgrounds and levels, are heard and respected in key decision-making processes.
- *Sustainable Sporting Careers:* Drawing on my experience, I will advocate for decisions that enable athletes to achieve longevity in their sporting careers and promote a balance between sport, work, and life.

I am committed to using my knowledge and experience to represent our athletes effectively and to reflect the values and ambitions of our community. I aim to be a proactive and informed representative for the Athlete Commission.