



**Lucas Webber and  
Jenna Yelland.**  
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## Fencer's mask tough streak

FENCING state champions Lucas Webber and Jenna Yelland have spent hours explaining their sport to friends.

"I tell them I don't put up fences I more like stab people," Jenna said.

This leads to the next annoying question.

"Do you bleed a lot?" Lucas said

people always asked. But the under-13 Victorian champions from Camberwell's Blacklords Fencing Club do nothing to dispel the myths that fencing can be a dangerous sport.

Jenna, 13 and Lucas, 14 launched into a litany of injuries they or their colleagues had picked up fencing.

"I had to beg mum to let me do fencing," Jenna, who has fenced for 18 months, admitted.

"It is usually when you fight novices that you are more likely to get hurt," Lucas said.

But they assured the *Progress Leader* they had never actually bled during a bout.

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