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### THE SCA PROHIBITS HARASSMANT AND BULYING OF ALL INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS.

The SCA prohibits bullying and harassment of all individuals and groups. Bullying is systematic and unwelcome behavior which involves the use of influence, threat, intimidation, or coercion to cause hurt or harm to another person or group of people. When the bullying behavior is based on a protected class (1), that behavior is defined as harassment.

(1) race, sex, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, or disability.

Bullying and Harassment may be **overt**, as in the following non-inclusive list of examples:

- Verbal abuse, including using racial, homophobic, transphobic, ableist epithets, etc.
- Non-consensual physical contact, violence, or threatening gestures.
- Displaying material that is offensive, degrading, or threatening to a protected class.
- Consistent demeaning remarks or malicious teasing Stalking or predatory behavior

#### Covert:

- Spreading rumors or innuendo with malicious intent
- Deliberate exclusion, isolation, or alienation of an individual without just cause
- Using rank, title, or office to intimidate others

Provided that the behavior does not rise to the criteria listed above, bullying and harassment is not:

- Single episodes of social rejection, dislike, tactlessness, or forgetfulness.
- Mutual arguments, disagreements, or fights.
- The termination, mutual or not, of a romantic relationship or friendship.
- Reasonable constructive feedback or critique.

The test for bullying is the reasonableness of the behavior and the impact of that behavior on the recipient. Participants engaging in bullying/harassment are subject to appropriate sanctions. If an individual believes they have been subjected to or have witnessed harassment, bullying, or retaliation, that person should contact a seneschal, the President of the SCA, or that kingdom's Board Ombudsman.

### SCA CORPORATE OFFICE

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SCA, Inc., PO Box 611928 San Jose, CA 95161, 800-789-7486 or 408-263-9305 (Mon-Thur 9am-4pm PT) Fax: 408-263-0641

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#### Ombudsmen:

Directors are assigned duties as Ombudsmen for Society Officers, Board Committees, and Kingdoms. They represent those individuals and groups to the Board, and promote communication and coordination between the Board and the functional personnel of the Society. SCA participants with concerns about a particular Kingdom, or Corporate office or function should contact the ombudsman responsible for that area

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gfisher@director.sca.org

For more information on board meetings go to:

#### https://www.sca.org/board-meetings

### PLEASE NOTE:

Unless otherwise noted, virtual quarterly meetings are held on Sundays, Live quarterly meetings are held on Saturdays to accommodate necessary travel. Saturday meetings will still be both streamed live and recorded for viewing at a later date. All meetings dates are tentative and subject to possible change.

Groups interested in hosting a meeting should contact the Executive Assistant (ea@sca.org) for information on meeting requirements and how to submit a bid.

#### 2024 Quarterly Board Meetings

<del>January 28, 2024 – Virtual</del> April 14, 2024 – Virtual (Tentative) July 21, 2024 – Virtual (Tentative) October 20, 2024 – Virtual (Tentative)

### Æthelmearc Royalty

### **Their Royal Majesties**

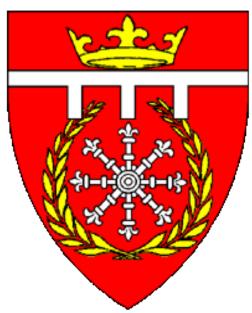
Bjarki Rikarðarson and Gabrielle de Winter



king@aethelmearc.org - queen@aethelmearc.org

### **Their Royal Highnesses**

To be determined at Crown Tournament, October 5, 2024



prince@aethelmearc.org - princess@aethelmearc.org

# Æthelmearc Kingdom Champions

**Queen's Rapier Champion:** 

Don Robert MacEwin of Thornberry

#### Cut and Thrust:

Don Salvadore de la Torres

#### Regalo de las Rosas

Don Níccolo Loredan da Venezia

#### Heavy Weapons Champion:

Sir Beatrix Krieger

#### Archery Champion:

Mistress Elska a Fjarfelli

#### Thrown Weapons Champion:

Don Mathias Al Taba

#### King's Equestrian Champion:

Lord Joel Geraldson

#### Queen's Equestrian Champion:

Shah Megis Elmanou

#### Shield of Chivalry:

THL Siegfrid Corloys

#### King's Bardic Champion (Dexter):

Master Donnan MacDubhsidhe

#### Queen's Bardic Champion (Sinister):

Maighstir Liam MacantSaoir

#### Kingdom Arts and Sciences Champion:

Magister Casimir Zeleny z Strasna skala

#### Youth Arts and Sciences Champion:

John Robert

Youth Combat Champion:

Arinbjorn

#### **Brewing Champion:**

Magister Casimir Zelený z Strášná skála

#### Youth Arts and Science Champion:

John Robert

# Landed Barons & Baronesses of Æthelmearc

### **Barony Marche of the Debatable Lands**

Violeta de Valencia and Aurelia Argentia Prima





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### Barony of Thescorre Andriú mac Domnaill and Nuzha bint Saleem





Baron@thescorre.org, Baroness@thescorre.org

### Barony of the Rhydderich Hael

Magnus de Lyons and Thalia Papillon





Baron@wnysca.org, Baroness@wnysca.org

Barony of Delftwood Thorbjorn Inn Havi and Oðindisa Býkona





Baron@delftwood.org, Baroness@delftwood.org

### Barony of Blackstone Mountain

Cunedda Kell and Alana Horsecroft





Baron@blackstonemountain.org, Baroness@blackstonemountain.org

### Barony of Endless Hills Nicolo dei Gaetani and Magge Illfosterc





baron@endlesshills.aethelmearc.org, baroness@endlesshills.aethelmearc.org

### Barony of St. Swithin's Bog

Jean Phillippe Dit La Barbe Rousse and Caterine de Troyes





Baron@stswithinsbog.aethelmearc.org Baroness@stswithinsbog.aethelmearc.org

For more information on the Baronies of Æthelmearc, known as the "Seven Pearls" visit:

https://aethelmearc.org/groups/local-groups/ the-seven-pearls

# From Their Majesties

# Bjarki Rikarðarson and Gabrielle de Winter



Greetings noble Populace!

We invite one and all to join us on September 21st at our Coronation within the borders of Steltonwald!

We are grateful to be surrounded by a generous and talented populace.

Please consider joining us in this adventure, however that may be.

Guarding and retaining is a great way to spend some time with us and get to know who we are. We encourage our newer folks as much as we rely on those who have more experience, all are welcome.

We also encourage you to participate in creating largesse.

While We prefer to give things people can use, we

encourage you to follow your passion.

If you would like to join us, please check out Our Reign page, where you will find the list of the amazing staff who have volunteered to help, as well as other useful items.

As the leaves begin to fall, we have many events coming up before we travel south for Gulf Wars! We look forward to visiting with many of you and traveling throughout this beautiful Kingdom.



# Officer Reports

### From the Kingdom Seneschal

Greetings Æthelmearc.

It is the season of change. No, I don't mean the weather, but instead the time for Coronation!



I want to thank Murdoch and Ríoghnach

for doing a marvelous job as the Crown of Æthelmearc. May you stand proud among the cadre of those who have ruled our fine kingdom, and may your great service to us all never be forgotten. It has been excellent working for you.

I also want to congratulate Bjarki and Garbrielle on stepping up to the Sylvan Thrones. We are all looking forward to the great things you will do during your reign. Vivant!

The latest changes to our Kingdom Law from Murdoch and Ríoghnach's second Curia Regis will be published soon. As always I encourage everyone to give Laws a good read.

The long winter is before us, and I look forward to the Kingdom's gatherings as we move into the harvest time. Harvest time is when the community comes together to do the work that will help us all make it through the winter, and thus, to me, it is a time that epitomizes service. It is together that we have made it through the cold and dark times, and it is together we will make it through those times in the future.

In Service to the Realm, Barún Pádraig Ó Branduibh

### From the Kingdom Chronicler

### Hello Æthelmearc!

A reminder from last issue...The end of my term is drawing near (November 2024) and as such I want to start the resume process for a possible replacement. I spoke briefly



with their Highnesses and Majesties and communicated my willingness to serve a second term, but calling for resumes is still required by policy. More importantly I want to provide an opportunity for upand-coming people to make their own mark in the Society. Service is good, but it is important that people who have already had a chance to serve give way to people waiting to serve. The Society only grows stronger if we allow new blood and fresh ideas a chance. The job of a Chronicler is not easy. Applicants are expected to meet firm and multiple deadlines, interact with Kingdom officers and Royalty for monthly content, and communicate with and oversee the other Chroniclers in the Kingdom. The Chronicler is also part of the Kingdom financial committee and will interact with the other great officers on financial matters. The Chronicler works directly with the Historian's office and the Event Coordinator. Applicants should have good computer skills, reliable internet access, a desktop computer, and software capable of desktop publishing. Please direct questions (or if you would like to more about the office) to my office email (<u>chronicler@aethelmearc.org</u>) or feel free to send me a DM via the Book of Face.

#### Read the full Chronicler polices here: https://aethelmearc.org/officers/chronicler

Send resumes to (this will go to all required Royalty and Officers):

Resume.chronicler@aethelmearc.org

Thank you all! YIS

Magnus de Lyons Æthelmearc Kingdom Chronicler

# From the Kingdom Minister of the Lists

As my second term as Kingdom MOL comes to a close in January 2025, I am eager to start the process of finding a suitable replacement. A smooth transition is crucial, and I encourage anyone who may be interested in the position to consider applying.

As the Kingdom Minister of the List, you will be required to attend (and run) every Crown Tournament, engage and encourage new MOLs, are encouraged to attend every Coronation to participate in the ceremony, and provide significant support at Pennsic with getting fighters signed in at Inspection Point. You must also work closely with the Kingdom Earl Marshal as this position reports to him.

The term is two years, with the possibility of serving a total of two terms. If you have any questions about the position and what it entails, please don't hesitate to contact me via email or through Facebook Messenger.

# **Officer Reports**

Please send your letter of intent to me, Dame Olyf Moorcroft, at mol@aethelmearc.org and copy the following people:

Sir Arden Scot of Clann Scot, marshal@aethelmearc.org TRMs Murdoch and Ríoghnach, king@aethelmearc.org / queen@aethelmearc.org

TRHs Bjarki and Gabrielle, prince@aethelmearc.org / princess@aethelmearc.org

It has been my great honor to serve the Kingdom for the last four years, and I look forward to seeing what my successor achieves during their time in office.

Best regards,

Olyf

# From the Chancellors of the Academy

Greetings from the Chancellors of the Æcademy!

We are very excited for the Fall Æcademy and War College, which is being held on November 9th in the Barony of Blackstone Mountain.

Teacher registration is open and can be accessed at: https://docs.google.com/forms de/1FAIpQLSeCX2kM6MUPPkHy9GcWm-KAjWbpgmyf9erMdtbRjxJX3h2B0w/viewform!

Teacher registration is open and can be accessed at: Note, we are using a different process this time - we have implemented a Google form to collect the class information. As this is our first time using this, there may be glitches, but we feel that it will be a much simpler process for all.

We would like to strongly encourage classes in the War College! There is room for archery and thrown weapons ranges at the site as well as the usual fighting and fencing classes.

This will be our last Æcademy as Chancellors Mistress Jenna MacPherson has been selected as our successor to the office with the transition to occur at Kingdom Twelfth Night in January. In addition, Hersir Marek is stepping down as Dean of the War College with Master Donnan MacDubhsidhe stepping into that role. Please support them as you have us by presenting classes and attending Æcademies in the future.

Speaking of the future, we are still in need of bids for the Spring 2025 Æcademy and War College. The preferred date is June 21 with rotation to Region 5, Eastern New York. We are looking for sites with

the following:

A minimum of 5 rooms suitable for classes Wi-Fi capability, if possible An area (indoors or out) for martial classes

A large commons area and suitable changing rooms, royalty room, and bathrooms Handicap-accessibility

Please feel free to contact us with any questions! Fridrikr & Orianna Chancellors

### From the Kingdom Webminister

Unto the Kingdom of Æthelmearc, does your Kingdom Webminister send warm greetings!

Æthelmearc my current term as your Kingdom Webminister is going to end this April, and I will be stepping down and not seeking another term, keeping with what I submitted on my last Letter of Intent.

So, as it is needed, I am putting out a call for Letters of Intent for anyone interested in the Office of Kingdom Webminister. This is for a two-year term, starting at Spring Coronation 2025.

The Webminister's Office is responsible for maintaining the Kingdom Website/domain, the Kingdom's Google for Non-Profits Account (email, documents, and so on), the form server (MachForm), Google Groups, the Kingdom Docs server, the Helpdesk and the support structures in place in the Kingdom. They also help support the Kingdom Zoom account. Additionally, the Webminister assists webministers of local groups, Kingdom Guilds and Polling Orders, and Kingdom offices with any webrelated issues as well as collect reports every quarter and submit quarterly reports to the Society Webminister. The Webminister oversees the Event Coordinator on matters pertaining to the website and works very closely with this position to keep the Kingdom Calendar up to date. The Webminister also works very closely with the Kingdom Chronicler. Finally, the Webminister collects Kingdom quarterly reports, sends reports to the Society Webminister, checks for compliance issues throughout Kingdom websites and makes recommendations to Society level for the William Blackfox Web Awards. You also need to be attentive to detail and proactive to stay ahead of issues, when able. The average time spent working on Kingdom Webminister duties is roughly 2-10 hours per week, depending on the time of month and issues that arise. Skills required for this position are a working knowledge of websites and web servers, Google, email, cPanel, WordPress, HTML, and Spreadsheets. (It's a plus if you

# **Officer Reports**

know Google Looker (Data) Studio but isn't a requirement.) I am available to discuss any questions you may have about the office via email (webminister@aethelmearc.org), Facebook (Peri Nelson-Sukert) or phone (please email for phone number). Upon selection of my successor, there will be some time for training for this position.

Letters of intent should be sent to the following email address - resume.webminister@aethelmearc.org

This email will be forwarded to Their Royal Majesties, the Kingdom Seneschal, and the Kingdom Webminister. Please have all letters submitted by February 1, 2025.

Thank you for allowing me to help Æthelmearc in this capacity once again.

Again, thank you. In service, Meisterin Amalie Æ KWeb

# **Court Reports**

### **Blackstone Raids**

27 April, Anno Societatis LVIII

Documented from the Rolls and Files of the Coram Regibus of Murdoch I Rex and Ríoghnách I Regina, King and Queen of Æthelmearc: Being a True Record of the Business of Their Royal Court at Blackstone Raids, 27 April, Anno Societatis LVIII, in the Barony of Blackstone Mountain. As recorded by Gwendolyn the Graceful, Brehyres, Meistr-y-gân, Jewel of Æthelmearc Herald, with the assistance of Lady Elinor Walden.

Upon the field: Their Majesties thanked Kumagaya-roku-i Kentarou Masamoto for his service as Kingdom Thrown Weapons champion and for the range he devised to select Their new champion. His Lordship Kuma announced that The Honorable Lord Meinolfr Grímsson took third place, Baroness Rois O'Faye scored for second place, and that the winner was Don Mathias al Tabai. Don Mathias was then installed as Thrown Weapons Champion and invested with a new baldric, commissioned by His Lordship Kuma to replace the previous baldric, which His Lordship promised would be restored and returned to the Kingdom Historian for safekeeping. Scroll by Mistress Máirghréad StÍobhard inghean uÍ Choinne.

Their Majesties also desired to be attended by Lady Astridhr Thorolfsdottir at this time. Noting her wide travel to help set up and tear down ranges, as well as her other service to the thrown weapons community, They were minded to name her a Companion of the Order of the Keystone. Scroll by "The Honorable Fool" Dagonell the Juggler.

#### Court was suspended.

In the evening, Their Majesties received the fealty of Baron Cunedda Kell and Baroness Alana Horsecroft, Baronage of Blackstone Mountain, and invited them to join Their Court.

Their Majesties praised the day's activities and weather, noting that it was Their first Blackstone Raids, but judging by the enjoyable time They had, promised it would likely not be Their last. Their Majesties then invited the young persons in attendance to come forward and directed them to find Baron Salvadore de la Torres for a toy from the treasure chest.

Next, Their Majesties greeted many newcomers and invited them to take drinking vessels in welcome.

Their Majesties gave leave to Their Excellencies to conduct Baronial Court.

Upon the conclusion of Baronial Court, Their Majesties called before Them Jocelyn de Brienne. Having just heard during Their Excellencies' Court's additional testimony of this young gentle's talents, and her service, They were well pleased in Their desire to Award her Arms. Scroll by Lady Kolfina Jodisdottir upon words by "some guy in a hat" (Master Po Silvertop), with pawprint decoration by the feline, Grey.

Next, Their Majesties invited Lady Elinor Walden to provide the results of the Kingdom Clothiers' Guild's inaugural Project Promenade. Lady Elinor and her fellow judges, Mistress Fede di Fiori and Duchess Juliana Delamare, announced that the winning team was "Stranger Danger," comprised of: The Honorable Lady Agnella locapi, Magdalena Txoperena, Dvorianka Zoya Drogomirovna, Baroness Anastasie de Lamoure, Lord Arne Burdenson, and Baron Salvadore de la Torres, who also served as model. Scroll by Lady Marsalli MacLachlainn upon wording by The Honorable Lord Casimir Zelený z Strášná Skála.

Following this, Their Majesties wished for Helena the Blushing to attend Them. Speaking of her assistance to her Barony, retaining, and helping at courts and children's activities, They decreed it right and proper to Award her Arms. Scroll calligraphy by Armiger urraca beatriz botelho, illumination by Lady Nicole du Marais, and words by "some guy in a hat" (Master Po Silvertop).

Next, Their Majesties desired to speak with Lady Fina the Huntress. Noting her longstanding service as a mistress of lists both for the Barony and at Pennsic, for her efforts to help newcomers acquire garb, and coordinating social activities, They were pleased to name her a Companion of the Keystone. Scroll by Baroness Katherine Kiersey.

Their Majesties desired also that Lord Samuel of Great Oaks

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attend Them. They spoke again of the many ways in which Lord Samuel has served over the years, including setup, teardown, transporting equipment and supplies, and more. Mindful of this tireless and selfless support, They were well pleased to induct him as a Companion of the Keystone. Scroll by Lady MeiLan Hua upon words by Lord Julius Gautieri.

Next, Their Majesties sought Lady Edonea Kimball. Their Majesties noted that They had observed her upon the Thrown Weapons range that day and marked her enthusiasm and joy. Before that, however, word had reached Them of her many contributions to Silva Vulcani, including as a marshall in many different specialties. To recognize this dedicated service, They were pleased to name her a Companion of the Keystone. Scroll by Lady Cassia Carataca.

Their Majesties then invited Count Andrew MacFarlane of Wigan to join Them. They remarked that His Excellency is a staple of service to the Kingdom–loading and unloading, setting up and tearing down, assisting and teaching new fighters, and more–so much so that They were surprised when, on examining His Excellency's record, They learned that he was not already a Companion of the Order of the Keystone. Thus, They were well pleased to induct him and name him such. Scroll by Lady Umbriana Campana upon words by Lord Julius Gautieri.

Following this, Their Majesties requested the presence of The Honorable Lady Máirin Ó Nialláin. They remarked upon Her Ladyship's dedicated service in many respects, including as Exchequer, Event Steward, deputy officer, and working to bring the Shire of Port Oasis out of dormancy. So ubiquitous is Her Ladyship's service that it resounded through Their Noble Order of the Millrind, and concurring with that Order, They requested to be joined by its members, and inducted her as a Companion of that number. Scroll by The Honorable Lady Gesa von Wellenstein, and words by "some guy in a hat" (Master Po Silvertop).

Before releasing the Noble Order of the Millrind, Their Majesties summoned Lady Rose inghean uí Dubhshlaine. Making good note of "Mama Rose's" longstanding support to the Barony of Blackstone Mountain, her service as Exchequer, and that she is regarded as a pillar of the community, They were well pleased to Grant her Arms and name her also Companion of the Millrind. Scroll by Meisterin Amaalie Reinhardt.

Afterward, Their Majesties once again invited Their Excellencies Cunedda and Alana to join Them, and allowed Their Excellencies to explain that they had wished to provide a singular mark of excellence for one of their Baronial subjects: Mistress Maria Christina de Cordoba. For forty years, Mistress Maria has been a steadfast bedrock of support to the Barony. In recognition of her particular achievements and to celebrate the esteem in which she is held by both the Barony and the Kingdom, Their Majesties along with Their Excellencies were pleased to present Mistress Maria with the right to bear a unique Augmentation of Arms, combining symbols of Æthelmearc as well as Blackstone Mountain. Scroll by Lady Christina Mary Lowe (Jinx) upon words by Meisterin Amalie Reinhardt. Their Majesties declined to release Baroness Alana Horsecroft at this time, instead speaking of the inspiration and exceptional servant Her Excellency has been to her Barony, serving on the Baronial throne twice, raising a family in the Society, running events and kitchens, and more, and all done with courtesy, grace, kindness, and love. Remarking that such service had also come to the attention of an august body, Their Majesties called for those members of the Most Noble Order of the Pelican there present to attend Them. They then directed Her Excellency by means of Writ of Summons to determine a time and place in which to sit vigil to contemplate elevation into that Order. Scroll by Meisterin Amalie Reinhardt.

Their Majesties requested Their Order of the Pelican and Her Excellency to remain while They required that Hersir Marek Viacheldrago also come forward. They spoke with Hersir Marek of the many years–and many miles–he has logged in service to the kingdom, the fighting community, and his local group, among others. As seneschal, marshall, Dean of the War College, Kingdom Camp steward at Gulf Wars, and in countless other ways, he has gone beyond the role of a member of the Chivalry to serve. Thus, Their Majesties directed him to choose a mutually agreeable day on which to contemplate induction into the Most Noble Order of the Pelican. Scroll by Meisterin Amalie Reinhardt upon words by Master Po Silvertop.

Her Majesty then called Skyrin to attend Her. Her Majesty spoke of the children's talent showcase that had been organized that day, and of how much Skyrin impressed Her with their array of talents, as well as their maturity and courtesy. Because of this, Her Majesty named Skyrin Queen's Inspiration for the day, and presented them with a token of appreciation.

Their Majesties invited forward all scribes and wordsmiths and allowed them to select replenishment of supplied, in recognition for the ways in which they beautify our Courts.

In keeping with the day's theme of service, His Majesty reminded all that the Ram and Stag planned to serve dinner following the conclusion of Court and that the staff would greatly appreciate the assistance of any who could help clean afterward.

The Authorization Clerk requested that it be announced that she would be very grateful for any donations of postage stamps that the populace would care to provide, in order to assist with the timely shipment of authorization cards.

Finally, the Barony of Blackstone Mountain invited all members of the populace to partake of 30th Birthday Cupcakes, which were waiting at the rear of the hall.

There being no further business, Their Majesties' Court closed.

Faithfully Submitted,

Gwendolyn the Graceful, Brehyres (OL)

Jewel of Æthelmearc Herald

# Kingdom & Other Events

### Æthelmearc Fall Crown

October 5, 2024 Hosted by Barony of Delftwood

#### Additional notes on Wheelchair Accessibility: The site where the tournament is being held is relatively flat. It's an old baseball field. An accessible porto-potty will be near the field.

Additional Notes on Alcohol Policy: NO alcohol is to be brought into nor consumed in ANY area of the park.

#### Additional Notes on Pet Pol-

**cy:** Leashed animals only. Please immediately clean up after your animal. This is a carry in/carry out park.

Oyez! Oyez! It is time for the Crown Tournament of the upcoming King Bjarki Rikarðarson and Queen Gabrielle de Winter! The Æthelmearc line of succession must not be broken! Come witness as the Heirs to the Sylvan thrones are determined! The date and times are October 5, 2024 from 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM. Your host is the Barony of Delftwood.

We invite you to enjoy this day in picturesque Marcellus Park. 2443 Platt Road, Marcellus, NY 13108. The site is easily found on GPS. Enter at the Upper Entrance. Take the immediate right to the parking lot once entering the park. There will be signs. Many amenities can be found nearby in Camillus and Fairmount. There are also many hotels and motels in Lakeland.

The site is bone dry and absolutely no alcohol is to be consumed or brought into the park. The site is a carry in/ carry out and there are no trash barrels. Leashed pets and service animals are absolutely welcome. Please immediately clean up after your animal.

The Event Stewards for the day are Baroness Othindisa Bykona (Sarah LaMay). FB: Othindisa Bykona, <u>aebeelady@gmail.com</u>, 315-373-6842 (No calls after 8 PM) and Lady Ana Sirena de Valbuena (Stacey

#### Rohling). <u>sroh106890@aol.com</u>, 315-

591-0135 (No calls after 9 pm). A sideboard will be provided for all those in attendance by Lady Filippa Forti and her staff. Please send dietary concerns to her prior to September 22, 2024. She can be reached at filippaforti@gmail.com.

Event Fees (Sideboard included for all): Adult: \$35 Adult Member: \$25 Students with valid college or trade school ID: \$20 Children Under 17: Free

Please make checks payable to SCA NY Inc – Barony of Delftwood. Please send reservations to: SCA NY – Barony of Delftwood, PO Box 6694, Syracuse, NY 13217. Pre-registration is requested prior to September 28, 2024.

From Syracuse and areas East: Take 690 West to Exit 6 for 695 to Rt 5 West for Auburn. Follow the signs for Rt 5 West/Auburn. Take the Camillus/Warners exit (to Marcellus). Turn left at the stop sign. You'll enter the village of Camillus. At the stop light in the center of the village turn right. Take the first left turn (before you start up the hill) onto Rt 174 South. Travel approximately 4-6 miles into the village of Marcellus (upon entering the village Rt 174 turns into North St.). At the light in the village turn right onto Main St and then take your immediate left onto South St. About a half mile down the road you'll see a brown and yellow sign for Marcellus Park. Turn left onto Platt Road. Take the SEC-OND entrance on your left into the park. Take immediate right into the parking lot.

#### From areas North:

Take your best route to 81 S towards Syracuse, NY. Follow signs for the NY -298/I-690 W/Destiny USA Dr/Bear St. Take Exit 23 A to Hiawatha Blvd. Turn right onto Hiawatha Blvd W. Go 1 mile past the giant mall/Destiny USA. Turn right onto State Fair Blvd. Take next left on 1-690 W toward I-90. Then follow the directions for "From Syracuse and areas East".

#### From areas South:

Take your best route to Route 81 towards Syracuse. Take Exit 14 for Tully/281 N. Turn left onto 281 N briefly until you come to Rt 80. Turn left onto Rt 80. Travel approximately 10.5 miles to Rt 20. Turn left onto Rt 20 W. Travel about 4.5 miles. Turn right onto Slate Hill Rd. Go 3.5 miles. Turn left onto Platt Rd and go just around the bend. Take next right into the park after almost immediately turning left onto Platt Rd. Take immediate right into the parking lot.

From Rochester/Buffalo/Canandaigua and areas West:

Take the New York State Thruway East (toward Albany). Get off the Thruway at Exit 40 (Weedsport). Turn right onto Route 34. Take Route 34 to East Brutus Street and turn left. East Brutus becomes Rte 31 B. Take Rte 31 B to Rte 5 and turn left. Take Route 5 to Bennetts Corners Road (Rte 321) and turn right. Turn left onto Forward Road. Turn right onto Rte 174. Rte 174 will take you through the village of Marcellus. At the traffic light turn right onto Main Street and immediately turn left onto South Street. South Street will take you to Platt Road, turn left. Marcellus Park will be on your left. Take the SECOND entrance. Take immediate right into the parking lot.

### Archers to the Wald

October 5, 2024 Hosted by the Shire of Steltonwald

Additional notes on Wheelchair Accessibility: Main hall and out side is accessible but not all ranges may be. Additional Notes on Pet Policy: We ask all pets be on leaches and under control.

Archers, Archers, Archers to the Wald. Come join us for a day of archery on October 5th 2024. This will be a day full of fun, challenging ranges. Compete with yourself or a friend. If you want to bring a range, please drop Baroness Thalia Papillon an email at v\_girl15@hotmail.com as the marshal in charge. If you have any food allergies please

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reach out to the cook for the day Baroness Alana Hor-

secroft <u>Peggystamper69@gmail.com</u>. If you would like to teach any archery related classes or have any questions about the event please reach out to Baroness Anastasie deLamoure

at <u>anastasiedelamoure@gmail.com</u>. Site opens at 9am-closes at 6pm Autocrat:

Baroness Anastasie deLamoure 315-560-1549

email <u>anastasiedelamoure@gmail.co</u> <u>m</u>.

Registration for the event, Adult \$28, with proof of membership discounted to \$18. Children ages 6-17, \$10. Children 5-under, free.

Checks can be made payable to: SCA -PA, INC. Shire of Steltonwald. Site Location: Beaver Valley Archery

Association Inc.

277 Rothart Dr, New Brighton, PA 15066-4246

Directions:

From the South:

Make your best way to I-79 N. Take exit 87 for PA-68 toward Zelienople. Turn left at end of exit ramp onto Evans City Rd/PA-68. Continue to follow PA-68. You will make a Left turn onto N. Main St/PA-68 (approx 1 mile). Turn right at W. Beaver St/PA-68 (approx 1/4 mile)(Please note there is a 7Eleven on the far right corner of this intersection). Continue to follow PA-68 for about 6 miles. You will make a right onto Rothart Road. There is a large metal sign for the Archery Club on the corner. Follow Rothart Road for about 1 mile. Turn Left into the Archery Club From the North:

Make your best way to I-79 S. Take exit 88 Zelienople. At end of ramp turn right onto Little Creek Road continue for about ∏ mile and turn Left onto Perry Hwy/US 19. In approx 1.5 miles, turn right at W Beaver St/PA-68 (Please note there is a 7Eleven on the far right corner of this intersection). Continue to follow PA-68 for about 6 miles. You will make a right onto Rothart Road. There is a large metal sign for the Archery Club on the corner. Follow Rothart Road for about 1 mile. Turn Left into the Archery Club.

### Haunting in the Hollow

October 11, 2024

Hosted by The Shire of Sylvan Glen

Lordes and Ladyes, Heed This Call to Revelry!

The Shire of Sylvan Glen joyfully invites one and all to attend their inaugural Halloween event, Haunting in the Hollow, on October 11th through 13th, Anno Societatis LIX, at the enchanting Camp Frame in Hedgesville.

Let your spirit run wild amidst a host of autumnal delights!

Fierce warriors may try their mettle upon the field of battle in martial activities centered around Halloween themes including:

Friday night novice torchlight tourney

– Thrown weapons competitions (may include zombies and fake blood)

- Heavy combat and rapier activities

Those of a more contemplative nature are encouraged to participate in the available Arts and Sciences Activities.

A lighthearted populace voting competition.

- Classes
- Potions and Brews Tasting

We encourage (but do not require) entries/classes to be related to Halloween or fall harvest.

Friday night will feature a boasting contest with an exciting prize for the most boastful, and Saturday as evening falls, all are welcome to revel in an informal Bardic Circle around the fire.

The young and young-at-heart will find no shortage of festivities with dedicated children's activities throughout the event, to include pumpkin painting and other festive activities.

A Day board will be served on Saturday. CO-ED Cabins are available with bunk beds, and the cabin reservation is included in site fee. Cabins have bathrooms and showers available for use. Cabins are divided into sections that accommodate 12-24 people. Every attempt will be made to accommodate groups that pre-register and wish to share a cabin. Please contact the reservationist with information about your group.

Primitive Camping is available on a limited basis due to space constraints, and we encourage all attendees to use the cabin space if possible. Bedding is not provided.

For Saturday evening's feast, please join us for a creepy culinary adventure presented by our feastocrat Lady Arianna del Vallone, "Dining with the Borgias". Please contact Lady Arianna with any questions or dietary concerns at <u>ariannaddv3@gmail.com</u>. Cost will be \$20 per person.

Site fee \$40 per adult for the entire weekend, \$30 for members – \$5 discount applies to all adult attendees who preregister. Children 17 and under \$5 each, \$70 family cap applies.

Make checks payable to SCA WV INC - Shire of Sylvan Glenn Camp Frame is located at 1362 Camp Frame Rd, Hedgesville, WV 25427. The site will open at 4 PM on the 11th and will close at 12 PM on the 13th.

Reservation questions may be directed to the reservationist, Angelino the Bookmaker

at <u>Plsdontspam@comcast.net;</u> (304) 268-2544; 115 Court St., Charlestown, WV, 25414

General questions may be directed to the Autocrat, Lady Petra in rauða refr (Caitlyn See) at <u>caitysee@gmail.com;</u> (304) 703-1961; 376 Empire Drive, High View, WV 26808

### Agincourt XVI

October 26, 2024 Hosted by the Barony Marcher-Debatable Lands

"This story shall the good man teach

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his son; And Crispin Crispian shall ne'er go by, From this day to the ending of the world, But we in it shall be remembered— We few, we happy few, we band of brothers; For he today that sheds his blood with me Shall be my brother; be he ne'er so vile, This day shall gentle his condition; And gentlemen in England now a-bed Shall think themselves accurs'd they were not here, And hold their manhoods cheap whiles any speaks That fought with us upon Saint Crispin's day." ~Shakespeare, Henry V

Nobles! Welcome!! The feast of St. Crispin is upon us and the Barony Marche of the Debatable Lands wishes you to celebrate with us at the Sixteenth Agincourt event!

Agincourt will be held at 2 Mile Run Park, 2053 Gypsy Glen Road, Beaver, PA 15009. The site will open at 10:00 a.m. Saturday 26 October 2024 and close at 9:00 p.m.

Heavy Weapons and Fencer Combatants! Take the field and fight the battles as your ancestors did on this day. Noble combat shall rule the day until your arms ache from your weapons. What would Agincourt be without archery? Target archers, get your bows! Sharpen your throwing weapons, we have plans just for you! Did you hear rumors of combat archery and siege weapons joining in the fun? Yes they can! Family Activity Tent will also be at event! Schedule and Menu will be available soon.

Event Facebook: <u>https://</u> www.facebook.com/share/ G8JqvM4Wtsai5NrH/? mibextid=9I3rBW

Pre Registration google form: <u>https://</u> docs.google.com/forms/d/ e/1FAIpQLScteFtuVTZDhMXBiaaeHH Rd1kqc5BGa38MiSH5U89IBHB8eBQ/ viewform?usp=sf\_link

#### Registration

Adult Event Registration: \$25 Adult Member Discount Registration: \$15 Child (0 – 17): site fee and lunch are

#### FREE Feast: \$20

Checks should be made payable to SCA PA Inc, BMDL. Please be sure to include the names and ages of the attendees that you are covering with your check. © Reservations to Head Troll: Sharon Booth (Hara Kikumatsu) <u>snooth@sbooth.net</u> 1105 Shady Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15232 (412)441-1607 (Landline no text)

Staff and Site Rules Your autocrat for the day is Baroness Vika Vyborgskaia (Renea Bishop) <u>vikavyborgskaia@gmail.com</u> (724) 777-9817 (cell) 559 Maplewood Ave, Ambridge, PA 15003

Mentoring by Dame Olyf Moorcroft (Jennifer Bahor) jenn.bahor@gmail.com

The site is wet! The site does not allow pets but does allow service animals.

Checking in with MOL To streamline the process a MOL will be at the troll to check ALL authorization cards! Please be prepared to show your authorization card and ID to the MOL when trolling in. You will be given a special site token showing the MIC's that you have registered with MOL and only need inspection. If you do not register with MOL you will be directed back to troll to do so.

#### Food

Signora Benedicta di Venetia and Lord Eamonn na Laimhe are your cooks for the day. They are still setting their menus, which we will announce closer to the event. If you have food allergies or restrictions, you can contact Benedicta lake strabel@gmail.com

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Personal Day Shades There are shelters that can be used however if you would like to set up your own please contact Svava Jorudottir at <u>svavagoviking@gmail.com</u>

Marshals In Charge

Heavy Weapons: Guillaume leNoir Fencing: Robert MacEwin of Thornhill Combat Archery: Zoe Akropolitina Siege: Fuji'na no Takako Throwing Weapons: Meinolf Grimsson Target Archery: Gozimir the Golden, Duncan and Elinor

Head MOL Skjoidrbjorn

Family Activities Astrid and Elsa

Royal Liaisons Astridhr Thorolfsdottir and Gesa Wellensteini

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# Events - "at a glance" <u>October 2024</u>

October 5, 2024	Æthelmearc Fall Crown Tournament Hosted by the Barony of Delftwood
October 5, 2024	Archers to the Wald Hosted by the Shire of Steltonwald
October 11, 2024	Haunting in the Hollow Hosted by the Shire of Sylvan Glen
October 26, 2024	Agincourt XVI Hosted by the Barony Marche of the Debatable Lands



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