

## & Their Majesties

Greetings unto the people of the River Valley Realm,

The wonder of Winter certainly came. Like many in the far southern part of the Kingdom, We experienced epic quantities of snow, even if it was for a short period of time.

Though as We write this, it feels closer to Spring?

Gulf Wars is fast approaching, but Fighter's Collegium hosted by Smythkepe comes first. Join us to learn, fight, and revel February 14-16. Or, depending on when you are reading this, We hope you had as good a time as We plan to!

With Gulf Wars approaching, We hope you all plan to attend, yolunteer, and be merry in whatever other activities you find

And when you see others excel, be it in Service, the Arts, or combat, please let Us know. The Crown is always looking for Award Recommendations and We now have updated and working online forms!

Please continue to keep Our Kingdom's words in your hearts, Honor and Courtesy Above All.

Support each other, especially those who need it now more than ever. We are stronger together.

In Service to the Dream.



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As I look round my room at sewing projects and armor repairs, war is so close I can almost see it.

In my memories and dreams, the laughter of friends and the beat of the drums says that way is so close I can almost hear it.

The scratch of my new wool tunic and the smoothness of my old leather bag I know war is so close I can almost

Boxes I open full of clothes that still smell of campfire and pine pollen show that way is so close I can almost smell it.

In the kitchen, testing recipes for camp food and party drinks there is no denying that war is so close I can

And I for one, am ready heart and soul to be there again:



Yours in service and joy,

## Ambassador

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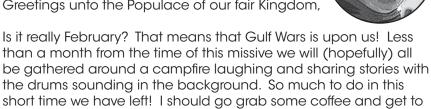
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Greetings unto the Populace of our fair Kingdom,



Well it looks like someone has wandered away and left their computer unattended.....Greetings Populace! Just your friendly Social Media Officer checking in since someone left me unsupervised. Are you ready for War?! I am!! What's your favorite part? Is it the majestic Royal Procession? What about Merchants Row? Everyone loves a bit of shopping whether it be for bits and bobbles or fancy new armor and weapons. How about the food? There's always something delicious being served in camps or the food merchants. Oh! What about the fighting? Between the great battles and the honorable tournaments there's rarely a moment you can't hear the clash of swords or the thwomp of a crossbow. And let's not forget about the parties! From kingdom socials to small household gatherings the food and drink will flow. Personally, my favorite part is looking around and know I belong to something greater than myself. We have everyone in this family called Gleann Abhann. Everyone is welcome and for a weirdo like me, that's pretty dana awesome.

:) Raven Nihtingale

work....brb.



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Smythkepe • Shoal Creek Camp • New Blaine, AR

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#### **Barbarian Brawl**

Small Gray Bear • Carlisle Arkansas

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#### Winter War Melees

Mckenzie Arena HCC • Raymond, MS

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#### **GULF WARS 33**

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#### Newbie Collegium

Camp Takotah • Floral, AR

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#### Candlelight Camp

Shoal Creek • New Blaine, AR

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#### **GA Spring Coronation**

Lake Bistineau State Park · Doyline, LA

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#### Beltaine 50th Year

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#### GA 20th Homecoming and Crown

Kings Arrow Ranch • Lumberton, MS

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#### **Aphar Faire**

Save the Date



#### Gleann Abhann Arts & Sciences

Save the Date



#### Gleann Abhann Fall Coronation

Save the Date

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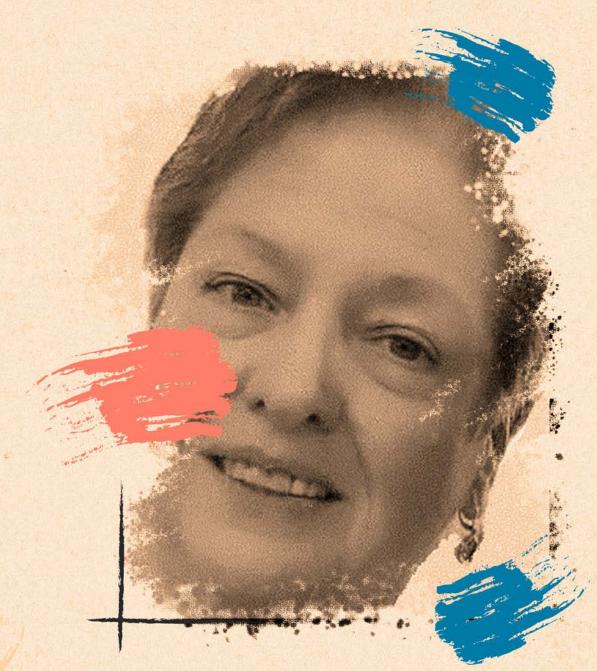
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FEBRUARY 12, 1950 — JANUARY 23, 2025 SHIRE OF CAER DUN





## **REGISTER NOW**



## Fighters Collegium

Shire of Smythkepe

#### Shoal Creek Methodist Camp

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ADULT Registration - \$32 17 & Under - FREE Feast - \$10 • Bed - \$5



PayPal deadline: January 31st, 11:59

The Shire of Smythkepe invites you to attend the Kingdom of Gleann Abhan's Fighters Collegium. Join us for a weekend of fighting based classes and pickups! After a long day of fun, enjoy an incredible feast and stay warm and revel with songs and games around the fire!

## Feb 22nd

## Winter War Melees

Shire of Iron Ox

#### Mckenzie Arena - HCC

1200 7 Spring Rd Raymond, MS 39154

Site Opens: 9:00 am Site Closes: 5:00 pm

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ADULT Registration - \$20 17 & Under - FREE

THE OX INVITES YOU
TO TRAIN FOR BATTLE IN ALL THINGS
MELEE. THIS IS THE
LAST EVENT BEFORE
GULF WARS 25. MAKE
SURE ALL YOUR
THINGS ARE UP TO
SNUFF AND JOIN US
FOR A 5 MAN MELEE!!!
CASH ONLY AT THE
DOOR.

## Mar 8-16

## Gulf Wars

Kings Arrow Ranch

222 Rault Dr. Lumberton, MS 39455

Site Opens: 9pm Mar 8th Site Closes: Noon Mar 16th

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#### Pre-Reg closes Feb 28, 2025

Reservations will not be processed without payment. To receive member pricing, your membership must be valid at the start of the event. Cash and PayPal will be the only forms of payment accepted at the door. There is no separate pricing for day trips. Transfer of reservations is prohibited. For any questions or issues reguarding registration for the event. please contact the reservationist.

## Mar 28th

## Newbie Collegium

**Province of Lagerdamm** 

#### Camp Takotah

5095 Camp Tahkodah Rd Floral, Arkansas 72534

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No member shall pay a site registration higher than three (3) adult member registrations to an event as long as they all have proof of membership. This does not include bed or feast registration for more than those covered by the three (3) paid adult member registrations.

NOTICE: Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to try to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

## **REGISTER NOW**



## Candlelight Camp

Barony of Small Gray Bear

#### Shoal Creek

571 Methodist Youth Camp Rd New Blaine, Arkansas 72851

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PayPal deadline: March 21, 11:59

Hop into springtime with the barony of Small Gray Bear at Candlelight Campl As we emerge from our wintry weather and greet the warmth of spring, join us in celebrating a season of renewal with a scroll competition, rousing rapier and valiant heavy combat, and end the day with a feast sure to leave everyone wanting more but too stuffed to move and possibly in need of a wheelbarrowl

## Apr 11-13

# Gleann Abhann Spring Coronation

Shire of Troll Fen

#### Lake Bistineau State Park

103 State Park Rd Doyline, LA 71023

Site Opens: 5pm Friday Site Closes: 10am Sunday

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#### Adult Member - \$20

ADULT Registration - \$30 17 & Under - FREE Feast - \$15• Red - \$5



PayPal deadline: March 28, 11:59

Their Highness, Callin and Danielle IV. are inviting you to join us for the anniversary of the Coronation of our Most Uporious King and Queen, King Griffin and Queen Belisencia I, long may lhey reign, for a day full of pomp and circumstance, comradery and spirited combat. The comparison of the center of the populas and to test the skill of the noble fighters, both Heavy and Light, of the River Vally Realm. In amazing feast is being prepared to existe and satiate your palate, which is sure to leave your belles full and your taste buds satisfied. All their Highnesser sequents, a freside Bardic circle, will fill your evening with joy, humor and good company. So check your schedules, save the date and join us as we celebrate our Crowns accension to the Pries Thrones. I pray nothing foul happens to Their Majesties. (nudge, nudge, wink, wink)

## May 2nd - 4th

## Beltaine 50th Year Celebration

Barony of Grey Niche

#### Meeman Shelby - Piersol

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PayPal deadline: April 18, 11:59

\*The Silver Torc Tourney
\*Baronial Silver Blade Tourney
\*The Grey Niche Baronial Bardic Champion open to
all entrants. Competition will take place during
lunch on the patio weather permitting. The
winner will be entrusted with the fabled Grey
Lady and will
be responsible for returning the next year to run
the competition and bring the regalia back.
\*A Walk Through lime - Slide Show and Museum
in Cabin A Deck all day area Saturday
\*Showing of the SCA Horror Show in the Gaming
Tavern Friday Night (Main Hall)
\*Memorial Fountain and Presentation at Feast
\*50 years of A&S Entries through Time
\*Merchants Welcome - contact the Autocrats
for more info

## May 22-26

# Gleann Abhann 20th Homecoming Faire and

Shire of Wyrmgeist

#### Kings Arrow Ranch

39 Kings Hwy Lumberton, MS 39451

Site Opens: 5pm Friday Site Closes: Noon Sunday

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ADULT Registration - \$20 17 & Under - FREE • Bed - \$10



PayPal deadline: May 9, 11:59

Celebrate Gleann Abhanis 20th Anniversary and Spring Crown List with a Homecoming Market Faire. Memorial Weekend of 2025, the Storm Born will gather at King Arrow Ranch for four nights and five days of fighting, friendship and fellowship. Great tournaments will be fought, great arts will be displayed, and great stories of the kingdom's history will be told. New memories will be made and new friendships will be formed!

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Gleann Abhanns JT/EMBER \$15 \$20 NON ITEMBER \$5 \$30

# TORNIAN TO THE PART OF THE PAR

April 11th - 13th, 2025

CAKE BISTINEAU STATE PARK

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Winter Wonders

Onyx Chalice

Katarina vom Swartewolt

Winter Wonders

**Anahita Kievich**12th Night

**Anne des Cotes**12th Night

Peilican

**Cecilia Augustina** *Winter Wonders* 

Grant of Arms

Dante Matteo Ricci

Winter Wonders

Effin O'Faelan

Winter Wonders

Order of the Axe and Arrow

**James the Shrub** *Winter Wonders* 

Silver Lamp

**Giovanna da Corlione** 12th Night

Pillar of the Ram

**Aki no Moronaga** *Winter Wonders* 

Sovereign's Letter

**Jane Beaumont**Winter Wonders

Sarah MacGregor Winter Wonders





## GULFWARS



A War with No Enemies | March 8–16, 2025 King's Arrow Ranch | 39 Kings Highway Lumberton, MS 39455







Site opens at 1:00pm on Sat, March 8th and closes at 12:00pm Sun, March 16th.

Reservations will not be processed without payment. To receive member pricing, your membership must be valid at the start of the event. Cash and PayPal will be the only forms of payment accepted at the door. There is no separate pricing for day trips. Transfer of reservations is prohibited.

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Online registration information, schedules, and information on attending and participating at the event:

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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.

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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.

#### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

April 12 and 13, 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting – Hybrid July 12 and 13, 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual October 18 and 19, 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting – Hybrid

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