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## The *Æstel*

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## THE SCA PROHIBITS HARASSMENT 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 senechal, the President of the SCA, or that kingdom's Board Ombudsman.

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### Æthelmearc Ombudsperson:

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[Seat E – October 2021 to April 2025]  
pbainter@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.

### 2025 Quarterly Board Meetings (TENTATIVE)

January 25 and 26, 2025, Virtual

April 12 and 13, 2025 – Live

July 12 and 13, 2025 – Virtual

October 18 and 19, 2025 – Live



# Æthelmearc Royalty

## Their Royal Majesties

Bjarki Rikarðarson and Gabrielle de Winter



king@aethelmearc.org - queen@aethelmearc.org

## Their Royal Highnesses

Timothy of Arindale and Gabrielle van Nijenrode



prince@aethelmearc.org - princess@aethelmearc.org

# Æthelmearc Kingdom Champions

### Queen's Rapier Champion:

Master Markus Skalpr Grimsson

### Cut and Thrust:

Lærifaðir jorundr hinn rotinn

### Regalo de las Rosas

Lady Kolfinna Jodisardottir

### Heavy Weapons Champion:

Sir Aaron the Swift

### Archery Champion:

THL Godzimir the Golden

### Thrown Weapons Champion:

THL Kumagaya Kentarou Masamoto

### King's Equestrian Champion:

Shah Megis Elmanou

### Queen's Equestrian Champion:

THL Azenari Basandere

### Shield of Chivalry:

Lord Frey Gore

### 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

# Landed Barons & Baronesses of Æthelmearc

## Barony Marche of the Debatable Lands

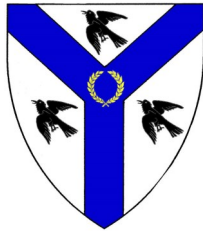
Violeta de Valencia and Aurelia Argentia Prima



Baron@debatablelands.org, Baroness@debatablelands.org

## Barony of Thescorre

Andriú mac Domnaill and Nuzha bint Saleem



Baron@thescorre.org, Baroness@thescorre.org

## Barony of the Rhydderich Hael

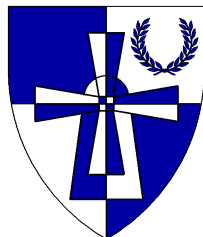
Magnus de Lyons and Thalia Papillon



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

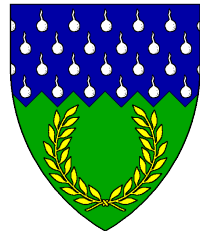
Cunedda Kell and Alana Horsecroft



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



The Holidays have always been a soft time. They are busy as we connect with family, both blood and found. They are also a time when we practice less, events are farther apart, and our minds turn to other things, including looking back at the year we have survived.

As we look back over the year (got rid of what is in red because it is repetitive.) we are filled with joy. We were able to spend time with so many of you and share our enjoyment within the Society. We shared moments that ranged from the silly to the epic and got to be a part of moments that redefined a part of people's lives. Recognition does so much for our populace, and it is humbling to be able to be a part of it. We are looking forward to the months ahead -- there are many more wonderful moments in store for all of us.

While rest and balance are essential, we also encourage you to fletch your arrows, sharpen your weapons, repair your armor. Check every rivet, every buckle because war is on the horizon. Soon we will take the great pilgrimage south to Gulf Wars, where you will all have your opportunity for glory and honor. (You **\*have\*** heard of the Viking Deed, right?) Our Warlords and their Highnesses are already working with their staff to plan musters and create opportunities for all to train. The artisans are not resting, either. New clothes are being made, largesse is being created, and words are being put to paper with grand illuminations. We are grateful for your talents, and thankful for your generosity in sharing them so Æthelmearc continues to look glorious in the eyes of the Known World.

Whether you can join us on the grand pilgrimage south or not, we look forward to spending time with all of you. In an attempt to avoid overly long courts, we have made a call for some to join us at Kingdom 12<sup>th</sup> Night in Coppertree to attend court and claim what we desired to give them at earlier events. If you cannot attend (which is understandable) we will read the scrolls in court and make things official. You may catch up with Us at a later event and receive any scrolls or regalia.

Until we see you all again, we wish you good cheer.

Their Majesties Bjarki and Gabrielle



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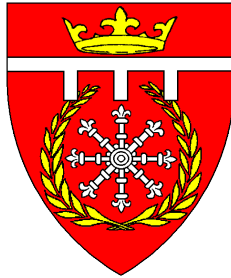
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## From Their Royal Highnesses

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Unto our beloved Æthelmearc does Timothy and Gabrielle, prince and princess of these beautiful lands send greetings,



We hope this holiday season finds you in good health and good cheer, and that you've been able to fill your belly with good food, replenish your soul with good cheer, and been surrounded by family and friends. We look forward to seeing all of you at 12th night, for more of the same.

While our time is filled with good cheer and happiness, our thoughts are drifting ahead to Pennsic. TRMs East and Middle desire another purple war (East Middle vs. Everyone). After speaking with them, we are convinced that this is indeed the best opportunity for all those who attend (combatant or not) to leave with a smile on their face. We have been reaching out to our cousins throughout the known world to get everyone's thoughts on how we can make sure the "Eternal friends" is an ideal we strive to uphold, rather than something we pay lip service to. We'd like to hear from you if you have ideas that may help us in this goal.

That being said, we fought them to a draw last purple war, and I (Timothy) am the most competitive person on the planet. It is game on. We have asked Sir Beatrix Krieger to stay on as warlord. We will be scheduling musters in conjunction with and in addition to local events through the coming year to try and get the heavy and rapier armies ready. I will be traveling throughout the kingdom, trying to hit as many local fighting and fencing practices during my tenure as royalty.

Have a wonderful day, and we look forward to seeing all of you in the coming months,

Timothy and Gabrielle

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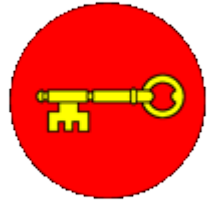
## From the Kingdom Seneschal

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Greetings Æthelmearc!

I was recently joking about hosting a book fair akin to those from my childhood, and in the discussion that ensued someone mentioned that we should have an event focused on children's activities.



I was reminded of some time ago when I was the seneschal of the Rhydderich Hael. One of our members asked me if it was possible to hold a more structured fighting event like they have in LARPs, thus with a theme, a story, a definite time period, and various goals for the different sides to meet.

The advice in both cases is the same: yes. Find a place to have the event. Get someone to autocrat it. Work through the numbers to see if we can afford to hold it. Write up a bid. If you're persuasive enough at the business meeting your local group can host it.

That event, Master Enzo de Pazzi's brainchild, became Road to Rouen. The niche fighting event became a wild success that's been held twice, and I'm fairly sure that the Hael will host it again in the future. He and his crew put in countless hours to put together a wonderful event. They drummed up support, made armor, and worked on building a relationship with the host site's organization. It wasn't a fast process, but the end result spoke for itself.

What I mean to say is that if you have a cool idea for an event, start working on it. There are

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people who will help mentor you if you haven't hosted an event before. There are communities of interest within the Society for all sorts of things. It is our love for exploring poorly known corners of history that brings us together after all. Perhaps you can make a whole event surrounding one topic, or you can host a more general event that features something special you want people to enjoy with you.

If you have a good idea, talk to people about it. Ask around and see if there is enough interest to put together an event. It may be small or it may be big; we have events of all sizes going on all the time. But if there's something you really want to see to help make your Dream a reality, the only thing stopping you is putting in some time.

And of course, if you have any such ideas and don't know where to start, you can always start by talking to me, or The Crown, or any of the other officers, both local and kingdom. We're here to help make the Dream a reality, and we will gladly help point you in the right direction.

In Service to the Realm,

Barún Pádraig Ó Branduibh

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## From the Kingdom Chronicler

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Greetings Æthelmearc!!

I am pleased to announce that after two years of serving as the deputy to the outgoing Kingdom Chronicler, I am stepping into the office as Kingdom Chronicler.



I would like to extend a big thank you to Their Majesties, Bjarki and Gabrielle, for the opportunity to serve as Kingdom Chronicler and for en-

trusting me to hold this office. I appreciate both of you having faith in me to be a good fit for this office. I look forward to serving the crown and the Kingdom!!

I would like to say thank you to Baron Magnus de Lyons, the outgoing Kingdom Chronicler, for the opportunity to serve with you as your deputy. I have learned so much working with you and helping with the duties of the office and being able to publish the Æstel newsletter every other month, which was a great learning experience.

As the new year 2025 begins, the first issue of the new year will be in color which is exciting!!

A reminder to all Chroniclers of Æthelmearc, please remember to submit your reports by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Additional reminder to follow the policy to email a copy of every newsletter to the Kingdom Chronicler, Kingdom Seneschal, and Royalty.

Additionally, please make sure to read the Chronicler's office policies via the following link: <https://aethelmearc.org/officers/chronicler/>

All Chronicler's please send emails with any questions or concerns to [chronicler@aethelmearc.org](mailto:chronicler@aethelmearc.org)

In closing, I look forward to serving the Society and the Kingdom of Æthelmearc and working with the Chroniclers of the Kingdom!!

YIS,

Baroness Thalia Papillon  
Æthelmearc Kingdom Chronicler



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## From the Kingdom Chancellor Of Youth

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Greetings and salutations!

With the modern calendar year changing, please check your youth background documents and update accordingly! Also, letters of intent are due by Feb 1, 2025.

Baroness Antoinette DeLorraine

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## From the Kingdom Arts + Sciences Minister

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From your friendly neighborhood  
A&S Ministers

A New Sylvan Signal is  
out!: [https://  
aeans.aethelmearc.org/the-sylvan-  
signal/](https://aeans.aethelmearc.org/the-sylvan-signal/)

We are always looking for new, photo-filled arti-  
cles.

The next A&S Get-Together is Jan 20, 2025,  
07:00 PM on Zoom. If you are not on Facebook  
looking at the Æthelmearc page or the A&S Æth-  
elmearc page, the zoom info is here: Join Zoom  
Meeting  
[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84354231791?  
pwd=GnAliaSETP3VjoM5LoUYSIbp7lr6Kf.1](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84354231791?pwd=GnAliaSETP3VjoM5LoUYSIbp7lr6Kf.1)

Meeting ID: 843 5423 1791  
Passcode: 745808

Also, the next session of the University of Atlan-  
tia will take place virtually Saturday & Sunday,  
February 1 & 2, 2025!

Important planning dates for the session:  
\* Student Registration begins: January 3  
\* Student Registration closes: January 29  
Log on to the University of Atlantia web-

site (<http://university.atlantia.sca.org>) for more  
information

AND MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

This year's Virtual Æthelmearc Æcademy will be  
hosted by the Æthelmearc Clothiers Guild on  
Sunday, February 16, 2025, from 10am to 4pm.  
Teachers of all topics are encouraged to register  
at: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/  
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This year will feature a special "cloth and cloth-  
ing" track in addition to regularly scheduled pro-  
gramming.

Access information for the virtual sessions, as  
well as schedule and class descriptions, will be  
published prior to the event on Facebook and  
email.

For more information, contact the Virtual Æcade-  
my Autocrat at Magnifica Fede di Fiore  
at [clothiers\\_guild@aethelmearc.org](mailto:clothiers_guild@aethelmearc.org)

We are still looking for a shire/barony to host the  
A&S Faire and Queen's Prize Tourney. The  
Queen's Prize Tourney (QPT) is a novice- and  
intermediate-level arts & sciences tourna-  
ment. Each entrant is sponsored by a compan-  
ion to the Order of the Fleur d'Æthelmearc or the  
Order of the Laurel. Sponsors may not evaluate  
the entrants they sponsored but are welcome to  
evaluate any of the other entrants. The Queen's  
Prize Tourney is on the Royal Event schedule  
and thus includes court. It is preferred to be a  
standalone event that rotates throughout the  
Kingdom. Last held on the Northeast border.



# Kingdom & Other Events

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## New Years Resolution 2025

January 1st, 2025  
Hosted by Barony of  
Endless Hills

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01/01/2025 11am-7pm

Barony of Endless Hills

68 Newport Street,

Glen Lyon Pa 18617

Leaves fall like calendar pages, the great wheel of the seasons turns, and the year is once again reborn.

Titles change, offices pass, and the very structure of our game evolves.

What remains, you ask?

**MORE FENCING IS MORE  
FENCING!**

Celebrate the old year's successes and lament it's losses – with friends and food and swords!

As has become tradition, we'll give the New Year 11 hours head start and then come after it, smiling with rapiers in hand! We'll have space for fencing, tables for camaraderie, and of course, our traditional "bring a covered dish" buffet table.

A mere \$5.00 for members, and \$15.00 for non-members.

January 1st, 2025, we'll be starting at 11am and celebrating until 7pm or exhaustion, whichever arrives first.

Autocrats: Kolfinna Jodisardottir (Jill Schaffling), 930 Main Road,

Hunlock Creek, PA 18621; (267) 994-4727; [Schaffling-ja@gmail.com](mailto:Schaffling-ja@gmail.com);

Master Po Silvertop (Scott Werbin), 9 Maple Street, West Pittston, PA 18643; (570) 299-0236; Herald@endlesshills.aethelmearc.org

Reservations are not required, and payment will be accepted at the site. Make checks payable to SCA PA Inc- Barony of Endless Hills.

[Dry](#), [No Flames](#), [No Weapons](#), [Not Wheelchair Accessible](#), [R3](#), [Service Animals Only / No Pets](#)

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## The Barony of St. Swithin's Bog 12th Night January 18th, 2025 Hosted by Barony of St. Swithin's Bog

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You are cordially invited to Cabalgata de Reyes (March of the Kings, Spanish themed 12th Night) in the Barony of Saint Swithin's Bog, held on January 18, 2025, at the Johnstown Masonic Temple. Troll will open at 9:00 am and the site will close promptly following the court. Come join us for a day filled with feasting, heavy fighting, fencing, dancing, and merchants. Their Excellencies will also be holding their annual Baronial Championship for Arts and Sciences as well as a Baronial Championship for Bardic.

The Spanish themed Day Board will be feastocratted by Baron Gunther Grunbaum (Lucas Zimmerman). If you have any questions or restrictions, you may email him at garet-kane1177@gmail.com

The Autocrat for this event is The Honorable Lord Arvik Hyttainen (Timothy Johnson). He can be reached by email at timothyjohnson1978@gmail.com or by text/phone at 814-631-2168.

The Co-Autocrats for this event are as follows: Lady Ragnhilda Manadottir (Melanie Mayse) who can be reached by email at Ragnhildamanadottir@gmail.com or by phone at 814-615-3701, and Zoya Dragomirova (Kathy Burden) who can be reached by email at Dvoriankazoya@gmail.com or by phone at 937-204-5204.

The cost of this event will be \$25.00 per person for nonmembers and \$15.00 for members. Day Board will be an additional \$15.00.

Make checks payable to SCA Inc, PA Barony of St. Swithin's Bog

The Johnstown Masonic Temple is located at 130 Valley Pike, Johnstown, Pa 15905.

The site is not ADA approved, however there is a ramp and elevator for use if needed. The site is also discreetly damp.

Hotels and Lodgings:

Holiday Inn: (P) 814-535-7777 (A) 250 Market St. Johnstown, Pa 15901.

Comfort Inn and Suites: (P) 814-266-3678 (A) 455 Theatre Drive, Johnstown, Pa 15904.

Hampton Inn: (P) 814-262-7700 (A) 129 Commerce Ct. Johnstown, Pa 15904.

Super 8: (P) 814-535-5600 (A) 627 Solomon Run Road Johnstown, PA 15904.

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## Market Day At Birka January 24-26, 2025

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For More information: <https://birka.eastkingdom.org/wordpress/>

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## Virtual Heralds and Scribes Symposium 2025 January 24-26, 2025

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Class Submission Link:

[https://bit.ly/vKWHSS\\_Instructors\\_2025](https://bit.ly/vKWHSS_Instructors_2025)

Deadline for Submissions is December 31.

Event Website: <https://ealdormere.ca/kwhss>

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## Debatable Lands 12th Night Celebration January 25th, 2025 Hosted by Barony of St. Swithin's Bog

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**Additional notes on Wheelchair Accessibility:** The site is technically wheelchair accessible but getting between the first and second floors requires going outside and it's going to be cold.

**Additional Notes on Alcohol Policy:** No glass containers.  
**Additional Notes on Pet Policy:** Dogs must be leashed. Also, the event is usually very crowded and it may not be a good time for dogs.  
**Additional Notes on Weapons:** Outside only.

Greetings, gentlefolk! You are cordially invited to the Debatable Lands twelfth night celebration on January 25th, 2025. Come for food and drinks, contests of skill, and a night of revelry with friends!

When and where: 9AM to 9PM, at North Park Lodge, North Ridge Drive, Allison Park, PA 15101

Activities:

Potluck food (bring a dish to share!)

The annual cookie exchange  
Drinks from our wonderful Brewer's Guild

Baronial Bardic championships  
Baronial A&S championships  
Largesse competition  
Auction of donated items, with proceeds going to the Barony (there will also be a barter zone)

The Debatable Lands social/business meeting

Dancing  
Pillow fights

Shenanigans and merriment

How much does all of this cost?  
Absolutely nothing!

I have other questions! Contact the autocrat, Forveleth Dunde MKA Miranda Gavrin, at [forveleth@gmail.com](mailto:forveleth@gmail.com) or 317-

697-7883.

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## Steltonwald 12th Night January 25th, 2025 Hosted by the Shire of Steltonwald

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As our holiday season draws to a close, let us raise one more glass as we celebrate 12th Night in Steltonwald.

Join us for a scrumptious sit-down dinner in the renown Wooden Angel Wine Cellar, 308 Leopard Lane, Beaver, PA 15009.

The cost for dinner is \$55.00,

There is not a site fee for this event, but you must have a paid registration to attend. Dinner is limited to 40 people. Reservations must be received by 1/10/25.

Please send reservations to Colleen Kardasz 1453 State Route 551, Enon Valley, PA 16120; (724) 312-2283

Reservations Clerk is Tracy Robson; email: [kenna\\_gunn@yahoo.com](mailto:kenna_gunn@yahoo.com)

Dinner choices to follow shortly

We will have our traditional Mongolian grab bag, with a gift value of \$25.00, please bring a gift if you would like to participate.

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# Court Reports

Melee Madness

May 25th, 2024

Murdoch I Rex and

Ríoghnách I Regina

***Documented from the Rolls and Files of the Coram Regibus of Murdoch I Rex and Ríoghnách I Regina, King and Queen of Æthelmarc: Being a True Record of the Business of Their Royal Court at Melee Madness, 25 May, Anno Societatis LIX, in the Barony of Endless Hills.***

*As recorded by Baron Salvadore de la Torres, acting Herald, with the assistance of Gwendolyn the Graceful, Brehyres, Meistr-y-gân, Jewel of Æthelmarc Herald.*

In the early afternoon: Their Majesties requested the presence of Baron Ulrich Drachendonner. Speaking of his years of service in recruiting and guiding others to the society They inducted him into the Order of Distinction for Newcomer Liaisons. Scroll by Lady Christina Mary Lowe (Jinx) upon wording by Lord Chaghagan Ghunan.

Before releasing His Excellency, His Majesty further spoke of the years of tireless service of Baron Ulrich, commenting on his loyalty to his local barony and the Kingdom of Æthelmarc. Deeming it right and proper, Their Majesties bestowed upon his Excellency an Augmentation of Arms. Scroll by Meisterin Amalie Reinhardt.

Court suspended.

In the evening: Their Majesties thanked all for attending and expressed the hope that everyone had a fine day.

Their Majesties then invited forward the children to speak with them about their activities. They then sent them to pick out toys from the treasure chest, guarded by Lord Hartman

Their Majesties then asked The Honorable Lord Gareth Whytebull to attend them. With gratitude for His Lordship's service as Kingdom Heavy Champion, They desired to name his successor: Sir Beatrix Krieger. Scroll by The Honorable Lady Gwen Cooke.

Their Majesties were Attended by Don Jehan LeBlanc in order for him to relay the results of the days fencing tournament. After speaking of the tournament, Baron Salvadore De La Torres was proclaimed the victor. After being called forward, his Excellency asked for a moment of time in court. He spoke of the sheer determination and inspiration of one fencer that day before presenting the coin for the Tournament of Garnet and Steel to Lady Kolfinna Jodisardottir

Their Majesties desired to be attended by Raiden. Noting their history of helping in kitchens, as well as their energy and enthusiasm for generally being useful, Their Majesties saw fit to name Raiden a Noble of Their Court and Awarded them

Arms. Scroll by The Honorable Lady Gwen Cooke

Their Majesties wished to speak with Lord Chaghagan Ghunan. In recognition of his many skills in the arts, including wordsmithing scrolls and the creation of rum and cordials, They were minded to name him a Companion of the Order of the Sycamore. Scroll by Lady Christina Mary Lowe (Jinx)

Their Majesties then asked to be attended by Titus Fabricus Crispus. Noting his dedication to, growing skill at, and joy in the practice of heavy weapons, They deemed it proper to name him a Companion of the Order of the Golden Alce, thereby also Awarding him Arms. Scroll by Baron Ixac ben Simone.

Their Majesties next called for Lord Daven Mackeanough to join Them. Speaking with him about his skills upon the heavy field, They declared Themselves impressed by his progress, and thus were well pleased to induct him into the Order of the Golden Alce. Scroll illuminated by The Honorable Lady Svava Jórudóttir, calligraphy by Meisterin Amalie Reinhardt, with words by "some guy in a hat" (Master Po Silvertop).

Their Majesties next requested the presence of The Honorable Lord Ulfkell Dungalsson. He spoke of Ulfkell's Prowess on the field that day as well as his prowess at recent events and saw fit to Award him a

# Court Reports

Golden Escarbuncle. (Black)

Her Majesty then called before her Lady Revna Lunaris and named her Queens Inspiration for the day for all the hard work and commitment she had given throughout the day.

Their Majesties next thanked all scribes, wordsmiths, and regalia creators and invited them forward to receive a donation from the scribal thank

you box.

Finally, their Majesties again thanked everyone for attending the event before passing it over to their heir Prince Bjarki Rikardarson who thanked the staff and attendees of the event.

Court was Closed.

Faithfully Submitted,  
Gwendolyn the Graceful, Brehyres (OL)

Jewel of Æthelmearc Herald



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<b>January 1st, 2025</b>	New Year’s Resolution 2025 Hosted by Barony of Endless Hills
<b>January 11t, 2025</b>	Kingdom Twelfth Nigh Hosted by Shire of Coppertree
<b>January 18th, 2025</b>	The Barony of St. Swithin’s Bog 12th Night Hosted by Barony of St. Swithin’s Bog
<b>January 24-26, 2025</b>	Market Day at Birka Hosted by East Kingdom
<b>January 24-26, 2025</b>	Virtual Heralds + Scribal Symposium Hosted by Kingdom of Ealdormere
<b>January 25th, 2025</b>	Debatable Lands 12th Night Celebration Hosted by the Barony-Marche of the Debatable Lands
<b>January 25th, 2025</b>	Steltonwald 12th Night Hosted by the Shire of Steltonwald

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