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Meridian Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Sponsoring Group & Contact		
		Hosted by the Kingdoms of Ansteorra, Gleann Abhann, Meridies, and Trimaris		
Mar 9–17, 2024	Gulf Wars	POC: Magister Sean MacRory En Guillermo Berenguer autocrats@gulfwars.org		
		Hosted by the Barony of the Shire of Depedale		
Apr 5 – 7, 2024	Spring Coronation	POC: Essyllt prasa fostra David Duckworth jmonty0071@yahoo.com		
		Hosted by the Shire of Tir Briste		
Apr 11 – 14, 2024	Fool's War	POC: Master Geoffrey MacDhomnuil Maestra Dianora di Cellini Autocrat.tirbriste@meridies.org		
		Hosted by the Barony of Bryn Madoc		
Apr 19 – 21, 2024	Dreamstone	POC: Lady Aleanor McPherson amandadoesemail@gmail.com		
		Hosted by the Barony of Glaedenfeld		
Apr 19 – 21, 2024	Iris Faire	POC: THL Rose de la Cumbe rosedelacumbe@gmail.com Oluko Omokehindegbegbon Oyo kopoalagbe@gmail.com		
		Hosted by the Shire of Owl's Nest		
Apr 26 – 28, 2024	Crossroads	POC: Lady Astrid of Owl's Nest Sca.astridofowlsnest@gmail.com Lady Samirra bint Abbas samirramadhlomgmail.com		

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Publication Deadlines

All event flyers, notices, officer letters, etc., must be received by the first of the month preceding the month of publication, e.g., event flyers for the July PC must be received by June 1.

Calendar

The Meridian Event Calendar originates with the Kingdom Seneschal's Office and is correct as of February 10, 2024. To add your event to this calendar contact the Kingdom Calendar Deputy at [calendar@meridies.org].

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A Missive from Their Royal Majesties

Greetings unto the fair and noble populace of Meridies:

We are pleased to see the days getting longer after a cold and icy winter. We have an exciting spring eventing season ahead and are looking forward to the joy and camaraderie in store.

We are especially excited about Gulf Wars. Meridies has allied with Trimaris and will be bringing the glorious might of our army against Ansteorra and its allies. We will also be joining our cousins in Trimaris for a combined social.

The Kingdom is strong, and We can't be more excited during this time of great joy and energy. Thank you all who work so hard to keep this dream alive.



Illumination by Etain of the Ulaid

Yours In Service to the Dream, MORGAN II & SEBASTIANOS II



A Missive from Their Royal Highnesses

Salutations Magnificent Populace of Meridies,

This last month has been a whirlwind of fun. His Highness had a fantastic time at war college and fighter collegium. He and his squire had a brilliant time crossing swords with some many fine fighters. There were many great classes to take. It was great to see so many teachers step forward. Everyone got the chance to be a student and it was a great experience. A solid reminder we are sometimes a teacher and ever the student.

The Barony of Southdowns hosted Midwinter Arts and Sciences, which has a special place in his Highness' heart. Having been autocrat for a number of years, it is something that he has always enjoyed greatly. It was also her Highness' first event almost a decade ago!

We attended several classes throughout the first day. Met several new people who are learning more about our community. His Highness spent several hours in the kids classes for heraldry and story telling. He enjoyed being around those closer to his mental age.

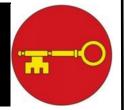
In addition his Highness attended class on salads (which he is trying to eat more of) with Syr lastreb, Mistress Magdalena got to learn why they are not allowed to sit in court together. At least she laughed a lot. Her Highness worked on a mosaic with one of our newest Laurels, Mistress Lucia del Mar, and attended a class on 1st century Roman sewing taught wonderfully by Lord Gaius Nautius Maximus.

The A&S competitions looked fantastic, there were a number of amazing entries. I believe there were two gentles who scored the highest possible score of a 20 and a few more 18-19s. The lowest score being a 13, which is fantastic. We are thankful to Duchess Thorkatla for all her efforts toward improving our A&S efforts.

Her Majesty was kind enough to Let his Highness ambush his sister, Margavati Bai who along with Maestro Lorenzo was inducted into the order of the Pelican. It is a great day when you can get your sister to loose her composure in court even if for a moment. The next day, his Highness went to the fighter practice where we had at least 4 youth combatants and another 10-15 adult fighters. Several authorizations happened, including several new adult fighters who now have Youth Sparring licenses. Huzzzah!!! We hope everyone had as good a time as we did.

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From the Kingdom Seneschal



Greetings Meridies,

My time as Kingdom Seneschal ends in July of this year at RUM. I would like to announce that my replacement will be Duke Wulfstan Thorhallsson. I have full confidence that he will do an excellent job as Kingdom Seneschal.

In Service

Majster Nikoslav Mikolaevich, OD

> Nicholas Cheimis Kingdom Seneschal, Meridies (they/them)



From the Kingdom Minister of A & S

As I am at the halfway point of the Kingdom A&S Office, it is time to call for my replacement deputy.

The candidate must be organized with paperwork (both digital or physical), willing to attend and run all the Meridian regional faires, attend Gulf Wars to arrange for Meridian A&S Champions as well as organize the Open, and communicate with the other kingdom officers and royals. They are expected to communicate with the artists, local officers, guilds, and appropriate orders to promote the arts in Meridies.

If you are interested in the office or have any questions, please send an email to artsci@meridies.org.

In Service,

Duchess Thorkatla

Kingdom Law Changes – December 2023

"The SCA, Inc. has updated recommendations for all Kingdoms in the instance of a royal vacancy. Meridies Kingdom Law is updated as shown below to reflect this change effective immediately."

III.100 Succession, Abdication, or Failure of the Crown

- A. A Sovereign or Consort's reign will be considered 'failed' if any event occurs which precluds the completion of the reign.
- B. In the event either the Sovereign or Consort abdicates or fails, the remaining Crown representative continues to rule alone for the remainder of the reign.
- C. In the event either the Heir Sovereign or Heir Consort abdicates or fails, the remaining heir may seek a variance from Society to reign as Crown

individually or they may step down and a new Crown list will be held. If the Kingdom does not have Heirs, the most recent past Sovereign available (excluding the Sovereign who abdicated or failed) will serve as Regent until a new Sovereign and Consort can be selected. The Regent, Kingdom Seneschal, and Earl Marshal will hold a new Crown List within 8 weeks. The winner and consort will be crowned immediately as Sovereign and Consort.

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E. The Crown or Regent and Kingdom Seneschal will change the calendar, if necessary, to satisfy Kingdom Law regarding dates for future Crown Lists and Coronations.

Thank you,

Arianne Lightheart of Whiteheld, Law Clerk



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Commentary Request – Draft Corpora Wording – Omnibus Peerage Proposal

Having received advice from the Peerage Committee, Directors have discussed the matter and following some minor amendments to language which align the proposed draft of Corpora wording to the existing patent orders, the Board feels that the proposal has matured to the point where commentary on the proposed Corpora wording from members is requested. This commentary will assist the Board in forming further decisions relevant to its consideration of this matter. The draft Corpora language approved for commentary is located on the following website:

http://www.sca.org/news/commentary-request-draft-corporawording-omnibus-peerage-proposal/

Commentary regarding this proposed Corpora change, must be received by the Board no later than April 2, 2024 through emailing SCA-Comments@sca.org and use the title "Omnibus Peerage Proposal" in the subject line or by mail at SCA Inc., RE: Omnibus Peerage Proposal P.O. Box 611928, San Jose, CA. 95161.

From the Chancellor of the Royal University of Meridies

The Chancellor of RUM is seeking a Deputy Chancellor to take over as Royal University of Meridies Chancellor on August 1, 2024. Interested parties should submit modern and SCA resume or CV to chancellor.rum@meridies.org by March 30.

Thanks! Síbella

Chancellor, RUM

Society Office Opening

SCA Inc. is seeking applications for the position of Deputy Society Seneschal for Investigations. This is a part-time stipend position expected to require approximately 15 hours a week on average. This position reports to the Society Seneschal/VP for Operations. Applications are being accepted to March 15, 2024. Additional details for this opening are located at the following website:

https://www.sca.org/news/application-open-deputy-societyseneschal-for-investigations-assistant-vp-for-operations/

QUARTERLY BOARD MEETINGS

PLEASE NOTE: 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 MEETING DATES ARE TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO POSSIBLE CHANGE April 21, 2024 Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual (Tentative)

July 21, 2024 Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual (Tentative)

October 20, 2024 Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual (Tentative)

Mid-Quarter Conference Call Schedule: TBA

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.

Gulf Mars 32

A War With No Enemies | March 9-17, 2024

Kings Arrow Ranch, 222 Rault Dr, Lumberton, MS 39455

Site Opens At 1:00 PM On Sat. March 9 and Closes At 12:00 Noon On Sunday, March 17

Reservations will not be processed without payment. To receive member pricing, your membership must be valid through the start of the war. CASH or TRAVELER CHECKS ONLY at the door. There is no separate pricing for daytrip. Preregistration checks should be made to SCA, Gulf Wars Inc.

All Preregistrations will close February 26, 2024

For any questions or issues regarding Gulf Wars registration, please contact the Reservationist, Mistress Jutte VonderBerg, at reservations@gulfwars.org

Event Stewards

Magister Sean MacRory Autocrats@gulfwars.org

En Guillermo Berenguer Autocrats@gulfwars.org

Arrival Day	Pre-Register Member	Pre-Register At The Door Member Member	Youth 17 and Under	Youth 17 Pre-Register and Under Non-Member	AtT
Sat-Sun	\$120.00	\$125.00	FREE	\$125.00	Ş
Mon-Tue	\$105.00	\$110.00	FREE	\$110.00	Ş
Wed-Thu	\$90.00	\$95.00	FREE	\$95.00	s
Fri-Sat	\$50.00	\$55.00	FREE	\$55.00	4

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\$60.00

Online registration information, schedules, and information on attending and participating at the war: <u>www.gulfwars.org</u> Directions: Take your best route to Exit 35 (Hillsdale Rd) on I-59 South of Hattiesburg MS and North of New Orleans LA. Turn East and travel about .01 miles and turn right at the Hillsdale Resort Hotel. Follow the SCA signs.





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Hosted by the Shire of Depedale CORONATION OF SEBASTIANOS II AND MORGAN II April 5-7, 2024 at Bert Adams Boy Scout Camp, Camp Emerson

Member Daytrip: \$20 Non-Member Daytrip: \$30 Member Weekend: \$25 Non-Member Weekend: \$35 Under 18: Free Feast: \$10

Event Stewards:

Essyllt Þrasa fostra (MKA Esther Jenkins) sca_esther@bellsouth.net (404) 403-1631

David Duckworth (MKA Jon Montgomery) jmonty0071@yahoo.com (678) 237-7554

Reservationist:

Juliana of Empingham (MKA Linda Locklear) as.depedale@meridies.org (678) 608-9691

Make checks payable to SCA, Inc./Depedale

Site opens at 3pm on Friday, April 5th and closes at noon on Sunday, April 7th.

Directions:

218 Scout Rd., Covington, GA 30016 Take I-20 East from Atlanta. Take exit 90. Slight right onto the Access Road. Turn Right onto GA-81. Turn left onto Flat Shoals Rd. Turn right onto Scout Rd. Turn right into Bert Adams Scout Camp. Proceed .5 miles and turn left onto the gravel road.

The Shire of Tir Briste Invites You to Fools War XXXIII: Those Silly Landsknecht!

April 11-13, 2024

The whispering winds bring word of a secret invasion by strange people in clothing of a wild, colorful, and "distinctive" style, codpieces, shorts, and feathered hats as large as an eagle's nest: *Landsknecht*! Join the Shire of Tir Briste as we celebrate the *Landsknecht* with classes, competitions celebrating their style and culture, equestrian activities, and a variety of combat including armored, rapier, and thrown weapons activities. Later, dress in your finest *Landsknecht* outfit and revel in our Biergarten. We hope you will join us!

<u>Prices</u> Weekend: \$40—\$30 for members Day-trip: \$30—\$20 for members Minors under 17 are FREE <u>Reservations Steward</u>

THL Eachna of Clonmakate (mka Sharon Gray) - 478-954-8783 112 Bonanza Dr., Bonaire, GA 31005 Excheq.tirbriste@meridies.org <u>Register Online or via Mail</u> Online via PayPal

Mail via check/cash to the Reservation Steward. Make checks payable to SCA Inc./Tir Briste **Camp Benjamin Hawkins**

2251 Boy Scout Rd., Byron, GA 31008 Site opens Thurs, 4/11, at 5 pm; site closes Sunday, 4/14, at noon Directions

From <u>175 South</u> take Exit 153 Sardis Church Rd. and turn left. Keep left to continue onto Hartley Bridge Rd. and then Boy Scout Rd. In

3 miles, the entrance will be on the right. From <u>175 North</u> take Exit 149 GA Hwy 49 and turn right on Old Macon Rd. Turn left to stay

on Old Macon Rd. Turn slight right on Vinson St. Continue onto Boy Scout Rd. In 2.25 miles, the entrance will be on the left.

Event Stewards

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Deputy Event Steward Eamonn Mac Uilliam (mka Edmund Janowicz)

<u>Event Web Page</u> https://tirbriste.meridies.org/foolswar/

Travel to Bryn Madoc for Dreamstone

Travel to Bryn Madoc for travel-focused classes, heavy, and rapier tournaments. Site opens at 6:00 PM on the 19th and closes at 9:00 AM on the 21st. Traveler's fare available on the 19th. *Can you tell our theme this year is travel?*

PRICING

\$15:00 Adult Site Fee*Children 17 & Under Free\$10.00 Non-members Fee

\$8.00 Lodging
*To reserve a bed
\$12.00 Board - Feast & Breakfast
*Children 10 & Under Free

\$5.00 Parking (or Annual ParkPass)

TRAVEL DIRECTIONS From I-20, take the Newborn Rd. exit (exit no. 105) into Rutledge and take Fairplay Road to the park. The entrance to Camp Rutledge is on the right, after you get to the stone bridge. Troll GPS: 33.65241 N, 83.58262 W

PRE-REGISTRATION

Online- Paypal available By mail- Checks payable to: SCA, Inc. Barony of Bryn Madoc

EVENT STEWARD:

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Find out more at www.brynmadoc.meridies.org

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Iris Faire: A Brave New World

April 19 – 21, 2024

Sponsored by the Barony of Glaedenfeld

Join us for a weekend in the New World! Featuring fighting (rattan and rapier), live weapons, and arts and sciences with a focus in the Americas in Period, then wrapped up with an Aztec inspired Feast.

Location:

Montgomery Bell State Park, 1020 Jackson Hill Rd, Burns TN 37029.

Directions: Take I-40 to Exit 182 (TN96). Turn onto TN 96 North towards Burns, TN and turn Right onto US 70 East. Montgomery Bell State park will be on your right approx. 2 miles. Turn Right into Montgomery Bell Main Entrance. Follow SCA signs for Group Camp One. Site opens Friday at 6PM, closes Sunday at noon.

Gate Fees: Day: \$15, Weekend: \$20, Non-member fee: \$10, Children 17 & under: Free, Feast: \$15

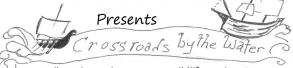
Reservations:

Online with PayPal or Mail Check to: Barony Glaedenfeld, PO Box 40702, Nashville, TN 37204 Make checks payable to: SCA-TN Barony of Glaedenfeld

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The Shire of Owl's Nest



April 26th-28th, 2024 at Wildlife Action GA, 2075 Kellogg Creek Rd Acworth, GA 30102

Adult Weekend is Pre Reg Only

Adult Weekend Member: \$25 (Pre Reg Only) Adult Weekend Non-Member \$35 (Pre Reg Only) Adult Daytrip Pre Reg: \$15 Member \$25 Non Member Adult Dautrip at the Gate: \$20 Member \$30 Non Member Adirondack Hut Rental: \$10 per Hut

Feast: \$10

Reservationist: Make Checks Payable to SCA, Inc./Owl's Nest Lady Adair Wren (MKA Phyllis Gorin) phyllisgorin@gmail.com (678) 350-3428

1378 Adairsville Pleasant Valley Rd NW, Adairsville, GA 30103

Directions:

2075 Kellogg Creek Rd, Acworth, GA 30102 From Atlanta Take 1-75 North. Take exit 277 to merge onto GA-92 N/Hwy 92 N. After 1.3 miles turn left onto Kellogg Creek Rd. Turn right to Continue on Kellogg Creek Rd in 0.2 miles. Continue on Kellogg Creek Rd for 4 miles then turn right into campsite.

Event Stewards: Lady Ástríðr of Owl's Nest (MKA Natasha Williams) sca.astridofowlsnest@gmail.com (404) 490-2534

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> Site Opens at 3pm Fri and closes 12pm Sun. This is a DRY site no alcohol at all All attendees who are staying on site must contact the Land Agent with tent sizes and camp requests. Thank you.



Membership fees and non-member registration fee changes

The Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. (SCA, Inc.) is announcing an increase in membership fees and non-member registration fees for events. At the January 2024 meeting of the Board of Directors, the Board approved the following changes, effective February 15, 2024:

- Raise the Sustaining membership price from \$45 a year to \$55 a year (This represents an \$0.83 cents per-month increase over the previous monthly rate.)
- Raise the Associate membership price from \$30 to \$40 a year. (This represents an \$0.83 cents per-month increase over the previous monthly rate.)
- Raise the Family membership price from \$10 a year to \$15 a year, per person. (This represents an \$0.42 cents permonth increase over the previous monthly rate.)

No changes to Canadian or International memberships have been announced at this time.

Note: this change will take effect for all renewal transactions

processed on or after February 15, 2024. Renewal transactions prior to that date will be processed at the previous rate, regardless of membership expiration date.

The Board also approved the following changes to Non-Member Registration fees, effective April 1, 2024:

• Raise the Non-Member Registration Fee from \$5 to \$10 per event. As always, this only applies whenever there is an actual event fee charged.

Additional details for these changes are located at the following website:

https://www.sca.org/news/membership-fee-increase-effective -february-15-2024/

SCA, Inc. emphasizes its commitment to transparency and sustaining a vibrant community. For more information, please contact John Fulton at president@sca.org. You may also mail comments to: SCA Inc., P.O. Box 611928, San Jose, CA. 95161.



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