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Submission Guidelines for *The Pale*

ARTICLES on period topics, history, art, puzzles, SCA life, bardic stories and the like are welcome additions to *The Pale*. A 500- to 1000-word article will usually fit in one issue; longer articles will be split into multiple parts to appear in successive issues. Submit the file in MS Word .doc format along with an SCA Creative Release form. Send the images used in the article as separate files using the format described below.

You must cite all references, quotations and sources in your article using the Chicago Manual of Style format. Sample citations are located here: www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide.html. Citing sources is very important to avoid accusations of plagiarism and legal action for copyright violation.

IMAGES, such as line art, calligraphy, illumination and photographs are also welcome. Scan any artwork at 300 dpi and save it at the highest quality JPG setting. Photos should also be 300 dpi, high quality JPGs. All images will appear in print as black and white, but the online version of *The Pale* is in color. Images can also be submitted as high quality TIF or PDF files. Any artwork or photography submitted to *The Pale* must have a signed SCA Creative Release or SCA Photographer Release form from the artist sent in with the work. Any person identifiable in an image must submit a signed SCA Model Release form with the art work. This is a requirement of SCA Inc. for print publication. All release forms are available at www.midrealm.org/chronicler.

EVENT PREVIEWS: A free event preview of 50 words is available to all events. The listing **MUST include the name of the event, sponsoring group, site address, date, times and event steward contact information.**

EVENT NOTICES (ads) must be published in *The Pale* for events at which any of the following occur: Crown and Coronet tournaments, coronations and investitures, appointment of Kingdom or Principality officers, presentation of awards and titles, proclamation of law, establishment or advancement of branches. **These activities cannot take place unless a complete event notice appears in *The Pale*, the Middle Kingdom newsletter, at least once before the date of the event.** The publication requirement may only be waived in extraordinary circumstances, such as a natural disaster.

Events must **already** be listed on the Middle Kingdom Calendar prior to advertising in *The Pale*, but an event listing on the Middle Kingdom Calendar does **NOT** constitute "official publication". Incipient groups must submit a scan of the sponsorship form to the Editor. Event submissions to the Kingdom Calendar should be

submitted through the **online form** available on the calendar page. Contact the Middle Kingdom Calendar Secretary at calendar@midrealm.org with any issues. Middle Kingdom events receive free event ads that run in the next issue unless otherwise specified. Out-of-Kingdom events and merchants pay the listed rates.

Ad templates for the quarter and half page ads are available at <http://midrealm.org/chronicler/thepale/>. All ads must be submitted to *The Pale* via e-mail attachment in DOC, PDF, JPG, or TIF format.

WITHOUT EXCEPTION, EVENT NOTICES MUST INCLUDE event name, sponsoring group, dates, times, site address, site registration, website URL, name (SCA & modern) of the event steward, and a contact email address of the event steward. Simple driving directions to the event site are useful but not required. All clip art images in event notices must have a source listed and be used in accordance with the terms of use. **All artwork MUST include an SCA Creative Release form from the author(s) or artist(s). SCA Model Releases are required for identifiable persons in any image.** Submissions are edited for grammar, spelling, space constraints, inflammatory or explicit language and compliance with Middle Kingdom Law. Editorial decisions are final. "Letters to the Editor" are not permitted per SCA Inc. regulations.

PLEASE NOTE THAT MIDDLE KINGDOM EVENTS NO LONGER NEED TO PAY FOR ANY EVENT ADS AS OF OCTOBER 2016.

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From Their Royal Majesties

Wow! What a reign! I could fill the next few lines with adjectives that cover a WIDE variety of topics, situations, events, people, displays of A&S, fighting or shooting on different lists, along with all the challenges, problems, solutions, camaraderie and shenanigans that often goes along with all that is involved... and it STILL will not be enough to convey to our populace the immense joy and honor it was for Us to have served as your Sovereigns over the last many months. It was an absolute pleasure to serve and as We move through these last few weeks We want to take the time to recognize many of Our staff and others that have helped to make this time so smooth, even when the road wasn't.

First and foremost, we want to thank ALL members of Curia for an insightful, progressive, fun and informative year. As the kingdom moves forward into the coming years, I am glad to see that the leaders continue to find the right people to trust for these volunteer positions that mean so much.

Though We have thanked many of our staff personally, We want to again say Thank You to several individuals, while We have the chance.

- Angelique and Vincenzo - As Our Chamberlains you served Us without error and were always dependable. You were Our team captains, Our guiding forces that kept the ship afloat and moving forward. Thank you for everything in numerous ways, you always were and will always be Our dear friends.
- Astridr - As the reign continued you really developed into a organizational saint that kept Us on track and on task, especially during Gulf Wars which We tasked you specifically with. Thank you for being there for Us.
- Meadhbh - Often seen at the end of Her Majesty's right arm instead of Her hand, as you often replaced it. You were there for Us both. You are a capable, dependable and trusted friend. Thank you.
- Emmiken - For as busy as you were, you never let Us down. Always able to step up, lead a project, take up the slack and push forward, You were an immensely positive force. Thank you.
- Kineburga - From start to finish, We got to know you, love you and come to see your abilities shine. We cannot wait to do it again! Thank you.
- Mihri - Sage of the Sewing, Professor of the Pin, Scholar of the Stitch and Keeper of the Closet. Your skills, friendship and endless hours MADE this reign look as good as We felt. YOU are a huge reason that this reign got compliments on numerous outfits.

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Letters From the Kingdom Officers

Further, there were multiple others that also made individual outfits or items that also got numerous compliments and We would see they are added here so all can read and bear witness:

Her Grace Mistress Rebecca (Her Majesty's dragon dress), Her Grace Mistress Cassandra (West) (His Majesty's Tudor), Quenild (His Majesty's leather landsknecht), His Grace Finn (His Majesty's green cup!), Corasandre (multiple undergarments for both of Us), Cheese Cheese (multiple side projects, fittings and fixes).

Nezkha, Heather Gray and Mistress Gianna you know what you did and We know and acknowledge your contributions. They were numerous and invaluable. THANK YOU ONE AND ALL!

A special note to all our Champions - You served with pride, grace and honor. We will be saddened when We release you, but know that the pride We have in you will live on in Our hearts forever. As a side note, We do believe we had the most female Royal Champions ever for any reign in the Middle Kingdom, possibly in the SCA. We pride Ourselves in choosing talent, determination, honor, strength, grace, nobility, chivalry, and courtesy, to name only a few of the wonderful qualities of Our Champions.

There are many others who We will thank in time and personally. It has been an incredible journey and We can't wait, should We be blessed to do it again! We have the greatest kingdom in the Known World in people, talent and friendship. DRACO INVICTUS!

In Service to the Kingdom and Society,

King Kilian and Queen Jalida

King and Queen of the Midrealm



Welcome to Their Majesties Wigthegn and Neassa II. Long live the King! Long live the Queen!

Best of luck to everyone fighting in Crown Tournament. Be sure to get your memberships up-to-date and get your letter of intent in on time. Honor, courtesy, and chivalry are the words we live and play by.

In service and friendship, *Duchess Arabella Silvermane, OP*, Seneschal of the Middle Kingdom



From Their Highnesses

With this missive, We find Ourselves penning Our final words to you as the Prince and Princess Middle Kingdom.

As time marches ever forward, change comes to Our beloved Society during Our reign. We eagerly anticipate the arrival of a fifth peerage, one that will honor the martial skills of those that use missile weapons. Additionally, We stand on the precipice of history as the East Kingdom hosting the first non-armored Crown Tournament approaches - a bold step forward that will shape the future of the entire Society and inspire many. Both are momentous occasions marking the growth and evolution of our Society as a whole.

With Pennsic upon the horizon, We look forward to the warmth of its fires and the rekindling of friendships that transcend borders. It is there, upon the fields and in the camps, that Our bonds are renewed and Our stories intertwined once more.

Before We ascend to the Dragon Throne, We wish to extend Our deepest thanks to Their Majesties Kilian and Jalida. Your steadfast leadership, wisdom, and grace have been a guiding light, and it has been an honor to follow You as Your Heirs.

Draco Invictus!

Wigthegn II & Neassa II

Princeps & Principessa

Medii Regni



Seneschal

Greetings, Middle Kingdom,

I would like to thank Their Royal Majesties Kilian and Jalida, for being wonderful sovereigns of this great kingdom. It has been a pleasure to serve as Kingdom Seneschal during Your reign. You both are truly a gift to our Society.



Earl Marshal

Greetings,

Coming shortly, you will see a new layout for the activity report form in the event packet. There's going to be a new box for the Minister of the List to initial after checking a participant's/marshal's card. You read that correctly - even marshals wanting to help need to show their cards. We are having a lot of paperwork being incorrectly filled out lately and we're trying to remedy some of the confusion. The only thing the marshal should be signing off on is AFTER they have completed the inspection of the participant, whichever discipline that pertains to. Everything else should be filled out by the MoL- simply because the participant should be showing them their authorization card (which also has your marshal warrants documented) to provide proof they are authorized to participate in that respective activity. Should an issue arise that needs to be addressed, we need to know who to actually talk to. It is an unfortunate reality, but there has to be accountability.

Also a reminder: MiTs signing off on authorizations MUST still have a warranted marshal to sign with them in addition to the second authorizing marshal. (If an MiT is obtaining signatures, there would be a total of 3 signees - the MiT and the 2 authorizing marshals.) If we receive an authorization form with an MiT signature and only 1 other authorizing marshal, that authorization is invalid and WILL need to be redone correctly. We are checking; please don't make us do any more work than we have to.

Aim true and fight with honor,

Baron Robert Thorne, OP

Kingdom Earl Marshal, Middle Kingdom



Youth Rapier Marshal

Greetings to the Midrealm,

I wanted to take a moment of your time to talk about the Youth Rapier program and provide some education for marshals who work with the youth of our Kingdom. Youth programs don't run on their own power; it takes volunteers to provide the resources to hold youth combat at events and practices. If you have youth who participate in youth rapier, it is your responsibility to know the current rules that rule the program.

Marshals and list table volunteers: A few reminders to what is required from you.

MOL (management of List) person it is your responsibility to check the authorization cards of all of the adults working with youth - the Adult sparring auth and the Youth rapier marshal auth. Youth auths can be checked if they don't have their auth cards by texting me at (309-360-2233, Laura Crowell). The marshal sign-in page should be signed by the marshal but the MOL should check the auth card and then initial next to each marshal that their cards were checked. Marshals, your authorization card should be shown to the MOL and the photo/copy should be less than 1 year old, have a current background check expiration date on it, and list you as a youth rapier marshal.

Next, when conducting an authorization of either a youth or an adult for youth sparring, it requires 2 youth rapier marshal's signatures (you can add in MiTs but 2 marshals must be included). An authorizing partner's name needs to be recorded (if youth, you may leave out their name but mark it as a youth participant). If your second background person is not a marshal, have them sign in with their name, contact phone number/email, and background expiration date. Lastly, paperwork from practices are to be emails to both the clerk of the roster and the DEMYR monthly. If an event has youth rapier, be it a stand alone activity or a part of the Adult program, paperwork still needs to be submitted within 2 weeks of the event. Local group youth rapier marshals should be reporting quarterly. Youth specific paperwork can be found on the youth rapier webpage as well. *Continued on page 7.*



Exchequer

Hi, all,

Well, it's not been the smoothest of Domesdays but by the time you read this, everything should be in to Society.

Remember that if the Domesday deputy makes changes and sends the workbook back to you, then the appropriate pages must be resigned by the seneschal and the exchequer. Also remember for the future that you need to submit all event reports and your checkbook register / ledger.

Midrealm Groups may now use the SCA Online Registration and Event System (SCORES) as an alternative to Paypal for their event preregistration. Fee structure is comparable to Paypal. The event registration form is available from the Kingdom Exchequer. SCORES requests must be submitted far enough in advance that it may be processed. Form is sent to Kingdom, who approves and then submits to Society. It will be available online for 30 days.

In service,

Aidan Blackstone

Exchequer of the Middle Kingdom



Dragon Herald

Greetings, Mighty Middle Kingdom!

As we proceed from winter to spring to summer, there is need of the voices of heralds. Heralds are needed at Coronation, Crown and Crown events to be the voice of the Crown and to assist the populace with notifications from event stewards and other event staff. Armorial and name heralds are needed to assist those members of the populace seeking to register a name and device.

I wish to welcome Lord Choi Min as the incoming Rouge Scarpe Herald and to express my thanks to Lord Kallinikos Garvas for his dedicated and supportive service. Please congratulate both of them when you get the opportunity.

We are a Kingdom of diverse individuals with diverse needs and hopes. Always keep kindness in your heart, help when needed, and smile for those who may simply need to see a smile. Spread joy in your travels and give joy to those in need.

Kindness and love win the day!

Kindest regards,

Baron Gilebert le braceur de Dijon, OL
Dragon Herald



Chronicler

Greetings to the populace of the Middle Kingdom,

I am nearing the end of my two-year appointment as your Kingdom Chronicler and it is time to name my replacement. It is my hope that the new chronicler will be in place by July. The Midrealm Kingdom Chronicler has several different roles within the SCA. They report to the Society Chronicler, serve as a Great Officer in the Curia, provide oversight and advocacy for the Midrealm *Pale* Editor, the webteam, the Calendar Secretary, and our regional and local Chroniclers.

A complete job description will be available on the Midrealm website in the Kingdom Job Openings section. Applicants should contact me by email or through the chronicler webform expressing interest and send a brief summary of your qualifications by May 11, 2025. I am also available to answer questions you may have regarding the position.

Sincerely,

Baroness Sadb ingen Neill, OL

Chronicler of the Middle Kingdom



Minister of Arts & Sciences

*"Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?
Thou art more lovely and more temperate:
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,
And summer's lease hath all too short a date" —
William Shakespeare*

Welcome to May! It's exciting to see our Kingdom rouse from its winter break. Today it's early April and it's below freezing here, but it's spring. I can see new buds on all the trees and I'm even seeing a bit of green grass. Wondrous!

Speaking of change, I just got word from Inga Johansdottir that she'll be accepting a Real World job that will take her to Ansteorra. I'd like to thank her for her service as South Oaken Regional Minister of Arts and Sciences. Her enthusiasm was infectious and she were always in the thick of getting things done. Thank you.

More change: Her Excellency Aliyah bat Asriel has been hard at work updating our Faire criteria and they're ready to go. Look for our intrepid Faire Coordinator, Dame Roana, to make an announcement soon, probably before we go to print. Thanks, Faire Team! I can't wait to see what all your entries will be.

Warmer weather means camping, which means I ponder: How would Tommaso have camped? Would he, on dry land, always sleep in a building after months at sea? Would he go afield? On a campaign? A pilgrimage? For any of these things, what were his sleeping arrangements? A bedroll? What's IS a bedroll anyway? We toss that word around, but what did it mean during your persona's when/where? Were they wealthy enough to carry a bed on a wagon? Did they sleep only with what they could carry? Did they travel with servants?

I can't tell you how much I'm looking forward to getting back to events, especially Faire and Pennsic.

In service,

Tommaso Franceschi, OL

Minister of Arts & Sciences of the Middle Kingdom



Target Archery Marshal

Greetings, Midrealm!

Target archery marshals: as target archery has restarted around the Kingdom, there are some items that I need to bring your attention to.

The target archery marshallate has been asked to determine the number of unique participants that we have over the course of the year. The regional marshals and I have decided to attempt this by correlating names on the uber event reports from events and practices. This means that those reports need to be sent on in a timely fashion. Reports from events are expected within a week of the end of the event. Reports from practices can be grouped by month. Ask people to write their name legibly.

The Society Target Archery Marshal has made a couple rulings that are in effect now and will be incorporated into the Society Target Archery Handbook. The first is on overdraw devices. These are devices, such as the Majra, that allow you to shoot an arrow that is too short to reach from your draw point to the bow. They are typically used for distance shooting. The Society marshal's ruling is, "Overdraw devices are not called out as a banned item in Society Handbook. However, arrow length is something all marshals check in inspections and short arrows will fail by default. Which means their use (short arrows and overdraw) will need at least marshal-in-charge sign off on a per archer and per event basis. So, possible to use? Yes, but many hoops to jump through and it will come down to the personal choice of the MiC. Individual Kingdom rules may be in place that do ban these devices."

The Midrealm doesn't have any specific rules on these, so we would treat them as experimental weapons. That means that you need to contact a regional or the Kingdom marshal if someone shows up with one of these. If it is permitted, it needs to be thoroughly documented in the event report.

The other ruling is about break-cocking crossbows. Here is the Society marshal's ruling:

"The question was on the Society rule about break cocking crossbows (Section V - crossbows, Rule B): Break-cocking crossbow styles are not allowed. Does it only apply to the Barnett crossbow that used the term break cocking action, or does it apply to the Barnett crossbow that used the term break cocking action, or does it apply to any crossbow where a built-in mechanism on the crossbow brings string and trigger into position?"

The understanding I've had for years is that it's a ban on any crossbow with a built-in mechanism.

- Cranequin - not built in, allowed
- Goats foot lever - not built in, allowed
- Belt hook - allowed
- Handheld hook - allowed
- Barnett with built in lever action - No
- Hooks built into hand-pulled sliders along stock - No
- Table slides to string, lever or ratchet back - No

The term in the handbook may be specific to a certain brand, but the application is broader. I can work on an update to clear this up if needed.

There are a couple of reasons for this. The repeating crossbow falls under this ban. It grabs the string and brings it back to firing position and loads a bolt. But you can't see when a bolt loads, or runs out, or jams. Dry fires are possible. And do we want a rapid-fire crossbow in speed rounds? Fun for sure, but this rule is what prevents their use.

For ratcheting mechanism bows, how do you make it safe when a hold is called?

A Barnett or other hand-operated built-in lever can be let down, hopefully safely. But a ratchet that is halfway back can't be let down and period examples didn't engage trigger until all the way back. You are stuck in a half-loaded situation until it is safe to finish cocking the bow."

If you have any questions on these rulings, please contact me at archery@midrealm.org.

Maître Diccon de Reinport, OP
DEM for Target Archery, Middle Kingdom



Youth Rapier Marshal

Continued.

Reminder that the continuing education for the New Youth Rapier rule set is conducted via Google Meet and at various events. The refresher and the short quiz need to be completed by May 31, 2025. I will be working on a YouTube training video as well. All of the information about this can be found on the midrealm.org youth rapier website page.

Thank you for your service to the Midrealm's youth,

Oda Shonagon "called Umi"
Deputy Earl Marshal for Youth Rapier

Middle Kingdom Court Reports

Court report for Courts of His Majesty Kilian at Winter War Maneuvers on 1 March 2025 (AS 59) in the Canton of Pfederstadt. Heralds: Edborough Kellie, Anna of the Western Hill

Award of the Purple Fret: Sigmund Grimborgh **Order of the Dragon's Tooth:** Mahal of Cleftlands
Order of the Cavendish Knot: Johan of Brendoken **Order of the Gold Mace:** Bastian Eychener, Einarr Ginnfastsson, Charles Gotzfurboter **Order of Chivalry:** Zygmunt Nadratowski

Court report for Courts of Their Majesties Kilian and Jalida at Gulf Wars on 11, 12, and 13 March 2025 (AS 59) in the Kingdom of Gleann Abhann. Heralds: Konrad Mailander, Kallinikos Gavras, Marketa z Prahy. Signet: Angelique Michele d'Herisson

Award of the Dragon's Treasure: Sharbanu the Weaver, Dracka Underhill **Award of the Dragon's Tooth:** Neassa O'Cathasaigh, Norman Fraunceys, Ullr Amaranthson, Katrina Klein called "Wolverine", Louis LeCoffrier, Dougal Mac Willis **Award of the Sapphire:** Vincenzo Fabriano, Angelique Michele d'Herisson, Berengaria Mordaunt **Award of the King's Chalice:** Gianna Vettori **Award of the Doe's Grace:** Heather Grey, Nezkha Kiriena Petrova **Award of Arms:** Reynault de Clare, Woad of Red Spears, Alexis of Shattered Crystal, Miel de Luna **Award of the Purple Fret:** Richard Darkstone, Elrick Wildy **Order of the Gold Mace:** Theomderyc of Earth's End, Frederic of the Lakes **Order of the Bronze Ring:** Bartlemeu le Wis **Order of the White Lance:** Palymar of the Two Baronies **Order of the Cavendish Knot:** Dawood al-tayyib al-samari **Order of the Red Company:** Erlinger Elldiarnsson, Sigismund Skjaldarberi **Court Baronage:** Konrad Mailander, Ástriðr Àrnarðóttír **Order of the Pelican:** Gwendolyn of Shadowed Stars

Court report for Royal Courts of Their Majesties Kilian and Jalida at Better War through Archery on 29 March 2025 (AS 59). Heralds: Dai Gerdwr, Allegra Ginevra Soave de Napoli, Colette the Seamstress, Tali Essen, Konrad Mailander Signets: Meadhbh Ramsay

Award of the Baton: Spinel the Fool, Leif Runasson **Award of the Dragon's Dart:** Kira Adams **Award of the Dragon's Barb:** Liu Kuaici, Magnus Whitehair Eriksson, Canay **Award of Arms:** Aster of Shadowed Stars, Gwendolyn of Riverside, Jeramy MacArthur, Tullia Notte, Giovanni Notte, Menardi of Hecate, Sigismund von Zholtov, Wolfram von Fleckenstein **Award of the Purple Fret:** Frostulf Thorgnyson, Meadhbh Ramsay, Astridr Hrothgarskona, Annora Bromley **Order of the Willow:** Briant Ranc **Order of the Cavendish Knot:** Oddleif Geitahirðir, Hugo de Wulf, Miles Leigh Hawkins **Order of the Dragon's Heart:** Adam Comyn, Colette the Seamstress, Gunnarr Bogsveigir, Raziya al-Zarqa', Licia de Solari **Order of the Grove:** Mynydd Seren Sewing Group **Order of the Greenwood Company:** John of Sternfeld **Order of Chivalry:** Arch Teryx

Middle Kingdom Job Openings

Office of the Kingdom Seneschal

Kingdom Seneschal
 Northern Oaken Seneschal
 Pentamere Regional Seneschal

Office of the Kingdom Minister of A&S

South Oaken Regional MoAS

Office of the Dragon Herald

Dragon Herald
 Lincoln (Midlands) Regional Signet

Office of the Kingdom Chatelaine

Kingdom Chatelaine
 First Deputy Chatelaine
 Midlands Regional Chatelaine

Minister of Youth

Pentamere Regional Youth Officer
 Dean of Page School

Office of the Kingdom Chronicler

Deputy Kingdom Chronicler
 Deputy Webminister

Find additional information about job postings on the Middle Kingdom website:

<https://midrealm.org/jobs/>

Job Postings

Kingdom Chronicler

The Kingdom Chronicler is a 2-year term. All kingdom positions are unpaid volunteer positions and require internet connectivity and technological knowhow (google forms, sheets, docs, email). The preferred deadline for application is May 11th, 2025, but the position will be open until filled. Please contact the Kingdom Chronicler by email or webform to express interest or ask any questions you may have about the position. Please include a brief description of your relevant experience.

Kingdom Chronicler: The Midrealm kingdom chronicler has several different roles within the SCA. They report to the Society Chronicler, serve as a Great Officer in the Curia, provide oversight and advocacy for the Midrealm *Pale* Editor, the Webteam, the Calendar Secretary and the Kingdom regional and local Chroniclers.

The full duties and responsibilities of the Kingdom Chronicler, as outlined by the Society for Creative Anachronism, can be found in the SCA Chronicler Policies. These policies have been published as a handbook that can be accessed at <https://www.sca.org/chronicler/>

As a member of Curia the Kingdom Chronicler advises the Kingdom Seneschal and The Crown. This advisement is done through attending regularly scheduled meetings. The Kingdom Chronicler informs the Crown regarding ongoing projects within the Chronicler's office, advocates for the volunteers within the staff of *The Pale*, the Web Team and the local and regional Chronicler's offices. The Kingdom Chronicler also helps the Crown and Great Officers of Curia with their work as it interfaces with the Web Team, *The Pale* and the Chroniclers of the Middle Kingdom. The Kingdom Chronicler will also serve on subcommittees as needed and review kingdom policy or event bids.

In Society Law, the Kingdom Chronicler is ultimately responsible for the Kingdom Newsletter. In the Middle Kingdom we have a deputy that publishes the newsletter known as *The Pale* Editor. The Kingdom Chronicler submits monthly officer letters to *The Pale* Editor for inclusion in the newsletter and helps review the issue each month. The letters have the purpose of informing the populace of the Middle Kingdom regarding important news from the Chronicler's office, *The Pale* or the Web Team. Additionally, the Kingdom Chronicler is responsible for oversight of *The Pale*, advocating for the editor, assisting with staffing of the kingdom newsletter including choosing the editor.

The Kingdom Chronicler functions as an intermediary, providing both advocacy and representation for the Web Team with The Crown and Curia. The Kingdom Chronicler also assists with division making for the web team, staffing the Webminister, and dissemination of information from the Web Team to the populace as needed.

The Kingdom Chronicler, with the assistance of the Deputy Kingdom Chronicler oversees the operations of the Office of the Chronicler by appointing and managing the Regional Chroniclers of the Middle Kingdom. The Kingdom Chronicler and Deputy are responsible for reviewing the quarterly reports of the Regional Chroniclers and following up with them regarding any listed concerns or in providing recognition to people that deserve accolades. The Kingdom Chronicler is also available throughout the year to assist the Deputy Chronicler in answering any questions that the Regional Chronicler or Local Chroniclers may have. The Kingdom Chronicler, with assistance from the Deputy, also makes nominations for the annual Master William Blackfox Awards. This award was created in memory of Master Blackfox to recognize excellence in the work of Chroniclers and newsletter contributors. More information about the awards can be found at <https://www.sca.org/chronicle>

The Calendar Secretary is the newest deputy of the Kingdom Chronicler It is the job of the Kingdom Chronicler to represent the Calendar Secretary to The Crown and in Curia. The Kingdom Chronicler also assists the Calendar Secretary with any needs they have in executing the duties of their office.

Middle Kingdom Event Calendar

Find further details of events on the Middle Kingdom website calendar of events at midrealm.org

Event	Date	Location
May 2025		
Spring Coronation	3	Barony of the Cleftlands; Medina County Fairgrounds
Mugmort Melees XVIII	9-11	Shire of Mugmort; 4351 Lancaster Road, Granville OH 43023
Constellation Academy of Defense	9-11	Shire of Mynydd Seren; 250 McCormick's Creek Park Road, Spencer IN 47460
May Day	16-18	Barony of Fenix; 3486 Hathaway Rd, Union KY 41091
It Takes My Child to Raze a Village 13	17	Barony of North Woods; 10016 E Nurburg Rd, Durand MI
Spring Crown Tournament and Kingdom A&S	23-25	Barony of Red Spears; 1017 E. Sandusky St., Findlay OH 45840
Pale Deadline for July 2025 (Ads)	25	
Battle for Greyhope	May 31 - June 1	Shire of Greyhope; 2671 W Clark St, Rensselaer IN 47978
Grand Tournament of the Dragon	31	Canton of Hawkes Key; 1715 Fairgrove Ave, Hamilton OH 45011
June 2025		
Northern Oaken War Maneuvers XXVII	7	Barony of the Cleftlands; 47890 Bursley Rd, Wellington OH 44090
Ragnarok Rampage	13-15	Barony of Carraig Ban; 7883 Lowell Park Rd, Dixon IL 61021
St Cecilia at the Tower XI	13-14	Barony of Cynnabar, 210 Smith Street; Milan MI 48160
Rainbow Rumble in the Woods	21	Barony of Rivenstar; 8650 Kirkridge Ln, Lafayette IN 47905
Baronial Border Wars XXXIX	20-22	Barony of Andelcrag; Location unknown
Pale Deadline for August 2025 (Ads)	25	
Black Swamp War Games	27-29	Barony of Red Spears; 1017 E Sandusky St Findlay OH 45840
Rites of Summer	27-29	Canton of Lochmorrow; 94 1st Street; August IL 62311
July 2025		
Simple Days at the Faire	3-6	Barony of Sternfeld; 1900 E Main St, Danville IN 46122
Push for Pennsic	11-13	Marche of Norborough; 2252 Troy Urbana Rd, Troy OH 45373
Tyger Hunt 39	12	Riding of Hawkland Moor; 3633 W Big Beaver, Troy MI 48084
Pale Deadline for September 2025 (Ads)	25	

Publication Deadlines for Event Ads in The Pale

June 2025 Events - May 25th

July 2025 Events - June 25th

August 2025 Events - July 25th

September 2025 Events - August 25th

Spring Coronation 2025

The Middle Kingdom, on behalf of the Baronies of Cleftlands and Brendoken, welcomes one and all to celebrate the **Coronation of Prince Wigthegn II and Princess Neassa II on Saturday, May 3, 2025!**

Medina County Community Center
735 Lafayette Rd, Medina, OH 44256
<https://events.cleftlands.org/coronation/>
Site opens at 8am and closes at 9pm

Registration:

- Preregistration: Adult (18+) \$13, Non-Member \$23
- At Gate: Adult \$16, Non-Member \$26
- Youth (17 and under): free
- Lunch: \$8 (on-site only), Feast: \$20

Join us for a day of martial and arts and sciences activities, delicious food, fellowship and fun!

Event Stewards:

Master Dmitrii Zhiron (Mike Cermak), dmitriizhiron@gmail.com
The Honorable Lady Jolicia atte Northclyfe (Julie Washington), washington.julie@gmail.com

The Shire of Mugmort presents:

MUGMORT MELEES XVIII

May 9 through May 11, 2025

- Armored Combat Melees all day, Rapier
- Combat Archery and Siege Authorizations
- Target Archery and Thrown Weapons
- Equestrian Authorization and Activities
- Middle Marches Archery and TW Baronial Championships
- Gate opens at 5:00pm Friday and 9:00am Saturday, site closes at 12:00pm Sunday

Infirmery Mound Park
4351 Lancaster Road,
Granville, Ohio

Adult Registration: \$20
Adult membership discount Registration: \$10
Children Registration (10-17): \$5
Children under 10: Free
Feast \$12 Lunch \$7
Camping: \$10 per tent/trailer
Event Stewart: Lord Morgan of Cardiff (Dylan Holderman) mugmort.seneschal@midrealm.org

<https://mugmort.midrealm.org/mugmort-melees/mugmort-melees-18/>

May Day in Fenix

Hosted by the Barony of Fenix

- May 16-18, 2025
- Site opens 5pm May 16 and must be cleared by 10am May 18, overnight camping is available

3486 Hathaway Rd, Union, KY 41091

Registraiton:

- Adult: \$15, non-member: \$25
- Minor (0-17): \$5, Falmily Cap: \$50
- Lunch: \$5

Event Steward: Lord Gabriel de Burgh (Bryan Burke)

For any questions please contact the Event Steward at bjburke.93@gmail.com, or see the Event Website at <https://fenix.midrealm.org/baronial-calendar/may-day/>

The Canton of Wealdlake presents
Saturday, May 17, 2025



IT TAKES MY CHILD TO RAZE A VILLAGE
 It Takes My Child to Raze a Village 13
www.scaids.org http://facebook.com/itmctrav

Registration
Adult - \$20
Adult Member - \$10
Youth Age 5-17 - \$5
Child 4 and Under - Free

THE SITE IS BONE DRY.
 Additionally the use of drugs/tobacco products anywhere on the site including the parking lot is prohibited. You must leave site completely to smoke or vape or chew.

SITE
 Durand Global Methodist Church
 10016 E. Newburg Rd, Durand, MI
 9am - 5pm

*Family Cap (2 Adults and 3 or more children)- \$55
 Member Family Cap (2 Adult Members and 3 or more children)- \$35

We have coaxed the new teenager into putting down their phone to join us in a new location!

Look for your favorite ITMCTRAV Traditions
 Smelly Science, The All-Ages A&S Challenge!, How to Fight With Your Child, Shoot the Messenger, The Duckling Race, The Plague Game, and more!
 Featuring a track of activities specifically aimed at teenagers!

Event Steward Dame SæhildR barngóðR, OP (mka Sarah Jean Meyer)
Email ITMCTRAV@gmail.com **TEXT ONLY** 517-795-8659

If you are bringing children who do not legally belong to you:
 For each child we need:
 a Minor Medical Waiver signed by their adult:
<https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/FloridaWaiver.pdf>
 AND
 a consent to participate waiver (children with blue cards just need their card!)
<https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/childwaiv.pdf>

The Riding of Hawkland Moor Presents
SMURF SHOOT
Sunday, 18 May 2025
1:00 PM - Dusk
 House Applegarth
 5555 Edgar Rd / Clarkston, MI 48346

Smurf Season is open! Those smurfy Smurfs have once again infested the home of Hawkland Moor's favorite founding family! Help us spray the grounds with our own brand of Smurficide, while honing your archery skills. Registration: Adults \$10 (\$20 for non-SCA members) Accompanied children under 18 are free

Feast will be potluck. Please bring a side dish to pass and your beverages of choice. Free popsicles! Free and secure parking! And all the free Smurfs you can shoot!

Event Steward:
 Lady Elaina Del Arch (Casey Scheltema-Bourque)
 caseydoll412_15 AT msn DOT com / 617-875-7322
 Directions: Take your best route to I-75 exit #93 (Dixie Hwy.); Head south on Dixie Hwy. for just over a mile; Turn right onto Foster Rd (a dirt road) and go 1.3 miles; Turn left onto Edgar Rd., 5555 Edgar Rd. is about a quarter of a mile down the road on the right.
<https://northwoods.midrealm.org/activities/canton-and-baronial-events/smurf-shoot/>



Grand Tournament of the Dragon
 & South Oaken Scales of the Dragon Qualifiers
 May 31, 2025
 9am-11pm

Sponsored by the Canton of Hawkes Keye and the Barony of Flaming Gryphon

Location: Butler County Fairgrounds
 1715 Fairgrove Ave.
 Hamilton, OH 45011

<https://hawkeskeye.midrealm.org/gtd/>

Site fees: Adults: \$25. Adult members: \$15.
 Children 6-12: \$10. Under 5: Free.

Event Steward: Christopher of St. Joan (Chris Minniear) / Crminniear42@gmail.com
 513-265-3861 (Texts only, please)

The Battle for GreyHope
 Hosted by the Shire of GreyHope on
 May 31, 2025

At Jasper County Fairgrounds
 2671 W Clark St, Rensselaer, IN 47978
<https://sites.google.com/view/battleforgreyhope>

Site Opens Saturday, May 31 at 9AM Central Time and will close at 10 AM Sunday, June 1, 2025

Preregistration	At Gate
Adult (18+)Member \$15	\$20
Adult (18+) Non Members \$25	\$30
Youth (5-17)Members \$10	\$15
Youth Non Members \$20	\$25
Family Cap Members \$50	\$70

Autocrat Keiley Duchem (Jenna Gamble)
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Northern Oaken War Maneuvers

JUNE 7, 2025

Ukrainian American Youth Association Resort
47890 Bursley Rd. | Wellington, OH 44090
Event Hours: 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM

Adult Registration: \$25 | Youth: Free
\$10 Membership Discount
Camping Options Available (See website for details!)

Register in advance for accelerated check in!

<https://events.cleftlands.org/nowm>

Stewards: Forester Cadfan of the Autumn Wood (Eli J. Hawkins)
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Event Host: Barony of the Cleftlands

The Barony of Carraig Ban Presents Ragnarok Rampage Valkyrie: Things with Wings

June 13-15, 2025

Site opens 2pm Friday - Closes 12pm Sunday

Elks Page Park
7883 S. Lowell Park Rd. | Dixon, IL 61021

carraigban.midrealm.org/ragnarok-2025

Adult Registration: \$30	Lunch \$10
Adult Member: \$20	Feast \$15
Under 17: Free	Camping: Free

Fighting | Fencing | Archery | A&S Classes
A&S Competition | Bardic Arts | Shenanigans!

Event Stewards:

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Baronial Border Wars and the
Barony of Andelcrag's 50th
Anniversary: Fields of Gold



June 20-22, 2025
4pm Friday to 12pm Sunday
Barry County Expo Center and Fairgrounds
1350 M-37, Hastings, MI 49058

Adult Full price: \$25
Adult Members: \$15
Children (6 to 17): \$5; Under 5: free
Camping per tent: \$10
Feast adult: \$15
Feast Child: \$5

<https://sites.google.com/view/barony-of-andelcrag/borderwarsxxxix>

Event Stewards: Isobella Gray (Alanna Fitzgerald) & Ulrich Eisenhart (Scott Wright)
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The Rites of Summer

The Canton of Lochmorrow, under the magnanimous rule of
the Barony of Illiton Hosts:

The Rites of Summer. Come join us at the Hancock County
Fairgrounds in Augusta, Illinois, June 27th-29th. We will have
A&S classes, a Heavy and Rapier list, Archery, a feast, & more!

Where: Hancock County Fairgrounds
Address: 94 1st St, Augusta, IL 62311
When: Friday June 27th, 2025, 5pm to noon Sunday June 29th,
2025
Costs: Pre-Registration will be \$10; price at the gate will be \$15.
\$10 dollar non-member surcharge.

Camping is available for \$5 and stakes are allowed. Small fires are
allowed as well. Handicap parking is available. Site is handicap
accessible.

Feast will cost \$20 and \$10 for children. Vegetarian options will be
available.

Feast Menu:

- Pork Loin with potatoes and carrots
- Soup and salad (more information to come)
- Dessert (more information to come)

Event Steward: Remy Donnadiou la Noir (Nathanael Reed)
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Website: <https://illiton.midrealm.org/events/>

The Pale is Available Online:
<http://enewsletter.sca.org/>

Need to find your local group? Try the Group Finder on the Kingdom website: <https://midrealm.org/midrealm-group-map/>

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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 MEETING 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.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

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

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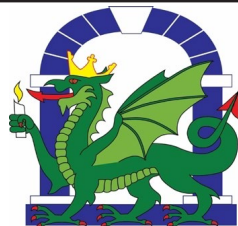
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Midrealm

Kingdom Arts & Sciences Fair
& Spring Crown Tournament

Hosted by The Canton of the Marche of the Marshes in the Barony of Red Spears

Location

Hancock County Fairgrounds
1017 E. Sandusky St., Findlay, OH 45840

Dates/Times

Site Opens: May 23, 2025 at 7:00pm
Site Closes: May 26, 2025 at 10:00am

Registration

\$25 adult non-SCA members
\$15 adult SCA members,
\$5 children ages 6-17 years old,
children 5 and under are free,
Camping cost is \$10 per person for the
entire weekend

For more information, check out the website at:

<https://marchofthemarshes.midrealm.org/middle-kingdom-ans-and-crown-spring-2025/>

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