

Their Majesties

Greetings unto the Stormborn,

The blistering heat of summer has arrived. As events in Our fair Kingdom have slowed down, other actives have held steady or increased. We have taken notice of many demos across Our great lands, as well as many practices, meetings and arts and science gatherings. We applaud each and every one of you for your dedication to your groups and your beloved Gleann

We do pray that you all would stay mindful of the heat and humidity. Please remember to not only hydrate, but to take ample breaks when dealing with the heat. We love Our dear Populace and wish no harm to befall any of you. So take breaks and stay hydrated!!!

We had a wonderful time at the Summer War Melees, hosted by the Shire of Iron Ox. Having the opportunity to use an indoor site in July was amazing. Thank you to each and every one that worked hard to make this event happen and to each gentle that made the trip there to make the event a success.

Pennsic 50 is less than a month away. Gleann Abhann already has a record number of gentles pre registered this year. There is still time for YOU to come. We ask that those attending please bring your banners and pennons and all manner of things to show the Known World who We are!

Eastly, We would ask each and every one of Our Populace to go to GleannAbhann.net, scroll down to the Hall of Records and look yourself up. Please verify that all info there is correct. If there's an award you've received, that is not listed, please send in a correction for it. It is so simple to do and allows Your Crown to be able to look up who has what, so award are not duplicated.

Ever We serve You, the Populace and Our fair Kingdom,



Their Highnesses

Greetings from Their Highnesses Unto the StormBorm!

Summer is here! The season that is punctuated by warm breezes and the cool rains often means that events are few and far between for Our Kingdom. However, We are looking forward to traveling in the weeks ahead to visit with many of you all.

Our first summer event-Summer War Melees was hosted by the Shire of Iron Ox. Fighters practiced melee tactics in the comfort of an indoor event space tactics that might be needed as ever loudly do the Drums of War beat in the far north.

We are looking forward to attending the Great War in the north, known as Pennsic 50. There will be much celebration as Gleann Abhann is attending with a great many populace members this year; We hope to see you there!

Take care and remember to hydrate!

Christof Broinning Prince Princess

Imbassador

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FROM THE CHRONICLER

Greetings unto the Populace of our fair Kingdom,

Our first month of the new layout came and went with no major issues. I received a few comments and emails and I appreciate all of the positive feedback and the tremendous amount of support.

A couple comments about the crossword from last month's issue, made me go back and double check information from the historical timeline of Gleann Abhann which apparently had some information wrong. I appologize to anyone that felt slited by one of the answers, I meant no ill will and was only going by the public information I had found. From now on, I will run the info by someone that was present during this time as my stumble upon the SCA came after becoming a Kingdom.

I want to let anyone that will be submitting a flyer know that we have an approval process in place for the events and flyers. Because there is so much information and so many offices that oversee different aspects of events and flyers, we have a form on the Kingdom website that must be filled out to submit your flyer. Please go to https://gleannabhann.net/forms_eventsubmission/ to make sure your flyers go to the appropriate offices.

Our summer heat in Gleann Abhann does not allow for many events so we have found ourselves with extra space in our Ambassador. Our answer... cute faces of puppers and kitty cats owned by the members of the populace, we hope you enjoy!

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Did You Know!!! Frustrated by his own difficulty in mastering the written word, Charlemagne rolled out a system of reforms to the very shape of writing, insisting on a double space to separate words, an indent at the start of a paragraph and punctuation marks to indicate where the reader should pause or stop. Questions marks and lower case letters also appeared.



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What is your persona and what drew you to it? - TBD - LOL Eleventh century - Ireland is about all I have. My family comes from County Cork. So I guess I didn't stray too far from my own origin story, huh.

How did you find the SCA? - Countess Kathleen introduced me to the SCA when we became roommates after college. She had kind of introduced it to me while we were in college but I didn't start playing until she moved in.

What was your first SCA event? - Winter Wonders circa, 1993 I believe. I also believe it was when Sir Elazar was knighted. I saw that ceremony and was hooked...

What SCA activities are you the most interested in? - Honestly, right now I am just getting into sewing. I am not at the hand-sewing level but I am just now, 30 years into this wonderful game we play, dipping my hand into making garb. It is still scary to me but I have some great teachers. And fighting. I love watching a good tournament. Finally, and this may not be an activity, but I am very interested in promoting the SCA in a positive way. I think it is vital for the survival of our society.

If you could start on your path again with all the knowledge you have now, what if anything, would you do differently? - You know, I don't think I would do anything differently. The SCA met me where I was at the time. I tried the things I wanted to try and my path lead me to where I am right now.

What is the best advice you received about being a peer? - From Countess Muirgen of the Mist called Morgana, "You are the same person you were before your elevation, but the populace at large will see you differently and your words, while the same as before will now carry more importance when spoken...One act of kindness and thought may greatly impact someone's day and view of the SCA." I try to be more complementary of acts of kindness or valor I see. I should have been doing this the whole time but now I let people know how they have inspired me.

What is the one thing you wish someone had told you about being a peer? - Always bring a comfortable chair and cold beverage to meetings. Seriously though, I didn't realize the responsibility I feel for my associates and how proud I can feel because of them.

What's something people try to tell you is peerlike, or is not peerlike, that you disagree with? - Uhhh, how do I say this... just because you excel at a certain discipline that doesn't mean you are a peer. For example, just because an individual wins say, Crown, that doesn't make you a knight. That goes for A&S competitions and holding offices. Yes, should you be skilled the path you are traveling but that shouldn't determine if you are a peer, your character should.

What is your favorite SCA moment? - Receiving my AoA hands down. That first time being called into court, being recognized in front of everyone...nothing comes close to that feeling. It is also my favorite award to watch in court. I love it. Honorable mentions: When Stephen Wolfe took me as his squire, Kathleen's elevation, my elevation, and filling out the top 5 favorite moments, when I took my first protege.

For Fun - What SCA skills have you learned that would help you survive a zombie apocalypse? - I can make my own armor which would limit biting surface area. I do know how to hit things with a stick. And because of my early SCA days, I learned to read a map so when GPS devices stop working, I can plan the shortest trip to the "lab" that is working on the cure. I also have learned to deal with all types of people in the SCA so I know I need to be useful but not too powerful while I find little pods of humans along my journey to said lab.

For Fun - What is your favorite cuss word? - While I would never state it here, my new favorite character is Roy Kent

For Fun - Is a hotdog a sandwich? Why or Why Not? - A sandwich. Please see last month's Ambassador for Dame Sara's more comprehensive response to this question. I can not answer it any better.

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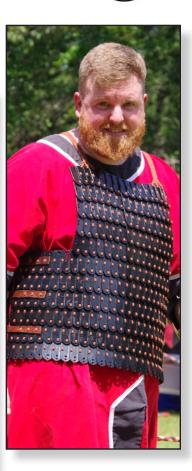


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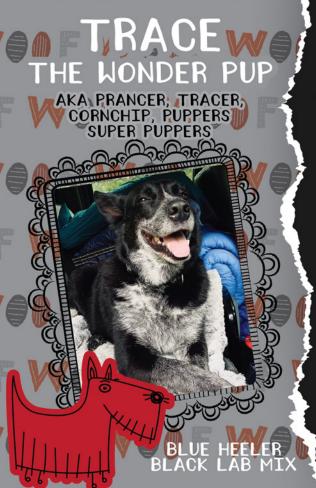








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The StormBorn Pets

Trace owns TRH Christof called the Wolf and Broinninn

Trace the Wonder Pup. the wrangler of an alligator chew toy. struts his aged salt and pepper coat as any distinguished 12 year pupper would do. Although he would prefer to spend his days on a canoe float with lots of beaches with someone to hand feed him chicky nuggets, most days he can be found eating the table scraps of his hungry humans.

Even though trained in the disciplines of "normal" dog. Trace often shows his extraordinary character when speaking in the voice of Cary Elwes. His Westley impression is most often heard after being left alone for long periods of times while letting the humans know he is unhappy. "You Mean you wish to surrender to me? Very well. I accept."

Trace's biggest accomplishment is life was rescuing an orange from a canoe flipping and swimming it shore. This showing his love for his humans by saving them from starvation on their day trip.



REGISTER NOW



Aug 25-27 Sept 1-3

Sept 15-17

Sept 22-24

Aphar Faire

Province of Lagerdamm

Camp Formosa 11186 Ar. 336 Hwy W, Clinton, AR 72031

Site Opens: FRI 6:00pm Site Closes: SUN 10:00am

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Adult Member - \$15

ADULT Registration - \$20 17 & Under - FREE

Bed Fee - \$5 • Feast - \$10 Tenting - \$5

Make check payable to: SCA, Inc., Province of Lagerdamm



PayPal deadline: Aug 11, 11:59

Site is BONE DRY!!!

Heavy • Rapier • Archery Regional A&S Competition Merchants

Slay the Dragon

Shire of Vogelburg

Toledo Bend North Group Camp 2907 North Toledo Park Rd. • Zwolle, La 71486

> Site Opens: FRI 5:00pm Site Closes: SUN 10:00am

Autocrat: THL Meadhbh na N'Ghall mka BJ Day beejsady@gmail.com

> Reservationist: Lady Wenda Woolfram mka Wenda Woolf wwoolfOl@yahoo.com

Adult Member - \$15

ADULT Registration - \$20 17 & Under - FREE

Bed Fee - \$5 • Feast - \$10

Make check payable to: SCA, Inc,. Shire of Vogelburg



PayPal deadline: Aug 18, 11:59

Classes: Boot Making, Quilling Protocol • Embroidery



Gleann Abhann Arts & Sciences

Barony of Grey Niche

Meeman Shelby State Forest
Piersol Group Camp
910 Riddick Road, Millington TN 38053

Site Opens: FRI 5:00pm Site Closes: SUN 10:00am

Event Stewards: Mistress Arielle de Brabazon mka Donna Hopper artsandsciences@gleannabhann.net

Reservationist: Genevieve McCullum du Caen mka Monalee Kendall bgn.exchequer@gleannabhann.net

Feast Steward: Ida de Lorca mka Ida Gieseler thIseafood@yahoo.com

Adult Member - \$15

ADULT Registration - \$20 17 & Under - FREE

Bed Fee - \$10 • Tenting - \$5 Feast - \$10

Make check payable to: SCA, Inc.. Barony of Grey Niche



PayPal deadline: Sept 1st, 11:59

Midsummer Knights Dream XXVIII

Shire of Smythkepe

Burnham Woods Girl Scout Camp 5705 Gordon Ln., Ft. Smith, AR. 72903

> Site Opens: FRI 5:00pm Site Closes: SUN 11:00am

Event Stewards: Lady Bridget O'Fallon mka Cathy Simkins C.Simkins41@gmail.com

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Adult Member - \$15

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Make check payable to: SCA, Inc,. Shire of Smythkepe



PayPal deadline: Sept 8th, 11:59

ARCHERY - RAPIER - HEAVY COMBAT A&S CLASSES

Join us and discover your future...in the past!

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

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

REGISTER NOW



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Oct 14th

Oct 20th

The Feast of Saint Trotter

Barony of Small Grey Bear

Shoal Creek Camp 571 Methodist Youth Camp Road New Blaine, AR 72851

Site Opens: FRI 5:00pm Site Closes: SUN 10:00am

Event Stewards: THL Guillaume the Knave mka Bill Peterson praxas42@gmail.com

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Adult Member - \$18

ADULT Registration - \$23 17 & Under - FREE

Bed Fee - \$7 Feast - \$10 Limit 80

Make check payable to: SCA, Inc., Barony of Small Grey Bear



PayPal deadline: Sept 15th, 11:59

NO PETS IN CABINS DRY SITE

Gleann Abhann Fall Coronation

Shire of Loch Bais

Kingdom Save the Date!

Something German

Barony of Tor An Riogh

Choctaw County Community Center 895 Colege St Ackerman, MS

> Site Opens: 8:00am Site Closes: 10:00pm

> Autocrats: **Danielle de la Roche** v.danielle@gmail.com

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toranriogh.seneschal @gleannabhann.net

Pay what you Like

\$5 non Member Fee

New Local Event

Fundraiser Lunch for Gulf Wars Parties

> Rattan & Rapier Fighting

Classes & Hands-on Demonstrations



Seleone Event

Barony of Seleone

Save the Date!

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Now taking bids for

GULF WARS 2025 AUTOCRAT!

Bids must be submitted by September 30, 2023.

Applicants must provide

a resume and letter of intent as part of the bid.

Send Bids and Resumes to:

ATTN: Kendra Dey seneschal@gleannabhann.net

MINISTER OF CHILDREN DEPUTY

GREETINGS!

I HOPE THIS MISSIVE FINDS EVERYONE IN GOOD HEALTH AND ENJOYING THE SUMMER I HAVE NOW BEEN IN THE OFFICE OF MOC FOR OVER A YEAR, AND IT IS TIME TO BEGIN THE SEARCH FOR A DEPUTY!

REQUIREMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- *HAVE A VALID BACKGROUND CHECK
- BE ABLE TO ATTEND KINGDOM LEVEL EVENTS AND ASSIST AS NECESSARY
- PROVIDE SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL MOCS AS NEEDED
- COLLECT QUARTERLY AND EVENT REPORTS FROM LOCAL MOCS
- HAVE ACCESS TO A LAPTOP TO CONDUCT BUSINESS (ZOOM MEETINGS WITH KINGDOM OFFICERS, ZOOM WITH SOCIETY LEVEL OFFICERS, COLLABORATE WITH SOCIETY MOCS, READ AND RESPOND TO EMAILS, ETC)
- BE ABLE TO ATTEND GULF WARS AND RUN TWO DAYS OF PAGE SCHOOL
- BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE ENTIRE WEEK OF GULF WARS WHEN IT IS GA'S TURN TO BE DEAN OF PAGE SCHOOL

PLEASE SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST AND YOUR RESUME TO MOC@GLEANNABHANN.NET BY WEDNESDAY, JULY 19TH FOR CONSIDERATION.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE YOUTH OF THE KINGDOM!

IN SERVICE.

AINE INGEN GILLA CRIST

THE STORMBORN PETS

HALO owns THL Meadhbh Na N'Ghall

HALO was found at a local shelter in a cage by himself, playing with everything and making a total mess. The master of playing was even slapping at the clipboard while his new human filled out paperwork. The humans were even told by staff that he would probably even play with a rock, turns out they were right although these days, he prefers a kleenex.

Living with his humans for the last 6 years, most days Halo can be found laying on the back of the couch watching TV, living out his best life and trying to refuse a brushing.



Sleann Abhann Proteges









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How did you find the SCA? - My older brother known as Thomas Willowby found the SCA from a demo and sold me hard on it. After one fighter practice I was hooked.

What was your first SCA event? - My very first even was a regional fighter practice that was held in Troll Fen in 2003.

What SCA activities are you the most interested in? - I love heavy fighting and A&S. They are the two of my absolute favorites. In A&S I have dabbled in metal work, leather work, illumination and I'm terrible at calligraphy. I also have a bit of interest in Heraldry.

If you could start on your path again with all the knowledge you have now, what if anything, would you do differenty? - Enjoy the journey more and easy my own mind. At some point I would always worry about things I couldn't control or really worry what other people thought of me... This all caused me to over think and over thinking held me back greatly.

What is the best advice you received about being a peer? - Rule number 1. Don't be a jerk (dick). I think if you follow this one rule you don't have much to worry about. People will look up to you don't abuse it. Stay humble and be a good person.

What is the one thing you wish someone had told you about being a peer? - Before I was announced no one told me just how many people will come to you with ideas and questions. The night at gulf wars I was announced a good friend of mine said. Get ready people are going to ask you lots of off the wall questions and will expect you to have all the answers. The next day it started my elevation still wasn't for a few months. I don't mind the questions and I think I have done a decent job of answering or pointing them to people that can.

What's something people try to tell you is peerlike, or is not peerlike, that you disagree with? - I spoke with someone on pride and ego. Taking a amount of pride in your abilities or your order is ok. I still think Peers need to remain humble.

What is your favorite SCA moment? - Obviously being knighted was a very special moment, but fighting for my wife in crownlist was by far one of my favorite moments in my whole SCA career today.

For Fun - What SCA skills have you learned that would help you survive a zombie apocalypse? - Armor making, leather working, brewing, and knowing how to swing a sword definitely wouldn't hurt during a zombie apocalypse.

For Fun - What is your favorite cuss word? - DAMN!!!!

For Fun - Is a hotdog a sandwich? Why or Why Not? - Not a sandwich... I think for a sandwich you need two slices of bread. Here is the real question is cereal a soup?



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