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The Newsletter of the Barony of Endless Hills



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## FROM THE CHRONICLER

My thanks once again to all who helped make 12th Night so successful. Our visitors from other lands were most impressed with the lovely site and the hospitality shown them by all in our Barony. Vivat to all of you!

The deadline is nearing for the A&S issue of the *Æstel* in the spring, and I hope to see submissions from our own Barony - we have so much talent here; let's show it to the whole Kingdom! The deadline is March 1 for submissions. Email me if you have an article idea!

The Domesday Book will be coming out in April. You may send me your information by email, or use the form below. I hope that everyone in our Barony will participate this year - it's a great way to find people with similar interests. You do not have to fill out each item if you would like to keep some of it private, but I encourage everyone to at least include their email. This will not be put online because of privacy issues, so it will only go to our members and be printed in hard copy. You **MUST** submit again this year, even if you were in last year's Book.

And as always - send me articles, artwork, photos, and anything you'd like to see published in your newsletter.

Yours in Service, Tiercelin

## DOMESDAY BOOK FORM

SCA NAME AND TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Barony of the Endless Hills**  
**January 6, 2008 Meeting Minutes**

**Officers Present:** Tigernach, Barbary Rose, Kateryna, Gregory, Luminista, Tiercelin, Ulrich, Tufa, Aoife, Banshee, Euriol

**Members Present:** Serena, Gunnar, Maria, Gaeth, Gilbert, Juliana, Taranach

**Important Dates:**

- Next Baronial business meetings are February 3 and March 9 at 2 pm at Gander Mountain.
- Horse barding class and Equestrian Guild meeting before February 3 business meeting.
- Kingdom 12<sup>th</sup> Night, January 12, 2008, St. Rose Academy, Mayfield
- Herald's and Scribes in Sterlynge Vayle on January 26

**Approval of Minutes:**

November meeting minutes approved by Aoife with a second by Barb. Passed with majority vote.

**Old Business**

- Formation of a committee to study storage rental options. Gunnar will head the committee, assisted by Gregory and Tigernach.
- A bid was presented for Melee Madness on May 31. Gunnar will be Autocrat and it will be held at the Wyoming County Fairgrounds. The bid was approved by the financial committee. Tiercelin motioned to approve the bid, Gregory seconded and the bid was approved by a majority voice vote.

**Event Reports**

None

**Officer Reports**

- Baron – Baron Ulrich will be attending the Kingdom 12<sup>th</sup> Night in January. He will be holding court at 12<sup>th</sup> Night, 7 Deadly Sins, the St. Patrick's parade, and possibly Ice Dragon. He will be the Baronial landcrat for Pennsic. Julianna Woolworth is the new Chamberlain. He will be having a breakfast fundraiser for the 7 Pearls dinner that we will be hosting a year from now at Pennsic and asks that everyone participate as much as possible.
  - Armorer's Guild – Once again meeting first & last Thursdays in Nanticoke.
  - Brewer's Guild – no report.
  - Cook's Guild – Met on December 9 at Tiercelin's, combined with an A&S gather. Next meeting will be at Euriol's on January 20, again, combined with an A&S gather.
  - Herald/ Scribe's Guild – Three previous submissions for name and device passed Society – Serene Finn, Ysabeau Tiercelin and Julianna Woolworth. A banner making workshop was held on January 9 at Tiercelin's with the Cook's Guild meeting. If you wish to be included on the roster of field heralds for upcoming Barony events, please contact Barbary Rose.
  - Signet Office/Scribe's Guild – Thanks to all who took on assignments for upcoming events Our newest artist is Failend – thanks for participating! Please contact Barb if interested in doing scrolls, illumination or wordsmithing.
  - Stitcher's Guild – Next meeting will be at Euriol's on January 20.
  - Thespian Guild – The Guild would like to do something at 12<sup>th</sup> Night and has requested an hour block of time to be scheduled at the event.
  - Woodworker's Guild – nothing to report.
  - Equestrian Officer – There will be horses at the Canton coronation on April. There will be horses at Melee Madness, and Ulrich will be holding the Baronial equestrian championships then.
  - Equestrian Guild – The kingdom is putting together a list of sites that are appropriate for equine events. All sites for equine events must be pre-approved by a marshal. Alexander will be KEO shortly, and he will be looking for a new DKEO as Dominic is no longer going to be doing it.
  - Historian – I am working on the Scrapbook. Please share your memories of our Barony to fill the many pages.
  - Exchequer – Balanced is \$4439.42 . Fasching made a final profit of 165.81, with an equal amount being given to the Kingdom. The equestrian guild fund is now empty and there are no other special funds. We have made a profit on every event this year.
  - Inventory Steward – Inventory was due on October 21. Inventories were collected. Thank you! I am working on putting all the files into a single file for comparison to last year's list. Copies will be forwarded to the Exchequer shortly.
  - Chronicler – January newsletter out on time. Please submit articles for the Kingdom A&S issue.
  - Knight Marshal – No new authorizations. Practice is still Monday 7:30-9:30 in Carbondale and Tuesday 7:30-9:30 in Forty Fort. He is looking at buying a basket hilt for a loaner sword.
  - Minister of Arts & Science –Recent Events and Workshops:  
11/17/2007 – Gullveig & I both taught classes at Fabric, Fiber & Fighting in Nithgaard.  
12/9/2007 – Open A&S and Banner workshop held at the home of Tiercelin & Jock.  
12/10/2007 – Medieval Studies night hosted by Riverouge @ Carbondale Fighter Practice.
- Upcoming Events & Workshops  
1/12/2008 – Twelfth Night in Endless Hills.  
A&S Competitions: "Queen of Tarts", best late period garb, best hat (with prize from her Majesty) and best accessory, Kingdom Bardic Champion. Activities: Period Games Tournament, Dancing, and Artisan's Forum  
1/20/2008 – Open A&S day to be held at my home in Mountain Top. All guilds are welcome to meet! Start getting ready for Ice

Dragon!

1/26/2008 – Heralds & Scribes Collegium in Sterlynge Vayle

2/2/2008 – Open A&S day at Tiercelin's with Cook's Guild.

2/9/2008 – A Fool's Court in Myrkfaelinn (featuring games)

2/16/2008 – Feat of the Seven Deadly Sins in Delftwood (Sinful Games, Sotely competition, Bardic Competition)

2/23/2008 – College of Three Ravens in Thescorre

2/23/2008 – Imbolc in Nithgaard (Indoor games)

3/15/2008 – Festival of the Passing of the Ice Dragon in Rhydderich Hael

Kingom A&S February Essay – “How did your persona celebrate Twelfth Night?”

3/1/2008 – Submissions are due for the Æstel Arts & Sciences Issue.

- Minister of Lists – nothing to report.
- Chatelaine – Julianna is the new drop dead and Ellisif, Eirik and Gaeth are deputies. Newcomers meetings continue to be the second and fourth Wednesdays. Looking into the possibility of newcomers meetings before the business meetings as well.
- Chirurgeon – Vacant
- Captain of Archers – Nothing new to report.
- Marshal of Fence –

Deputy Marshal of Rapier / Drop Dead - Lord Po Silvertop the Rogue

Second Deputy Marshal of Rapier - Lord Stefan

Marshal of Rapier – Authed: 17, Neophyte: 4-6 ( to include a recent influx of both new SCA'dians interested in the fencing as well as some heavy-weapons fighters now trying fencing as well...). Several of the Neophyte's hope to be authorized in time for 7 Deadlies and/or the Saint Patrick's Day Parade.

The Endless Hills rapier contingent sent a delegation to Angel's Keep for their event, “Yule with the Angels”. Lord's Po and Stefan provided marshalling for the day's events.

The [Tuesday Night] Endless Hills Marshalling staff is currently establishing a new training schedule for fencers that will include; the second Tuesday of each month specializing in a specific weapons form and the final Tuesday of each month will be an opportunity to practice in garb.

At the January 1<sup>st</sup> practice, one of the loaner blades was disqualified due to an “S” curve – this leaves the current inventory standing 1 loaner blade and brought to light other issues regarding the current inventory of loaner equipment.

Due to the fact that most of our Neophytes do not fit into the current loaner items (which are old, small and degrading rapidly) it has become not only apparent but critical that we, as a whole – give serious consideration towards obtaining new loaner gear that meets the needs and requirements of our fencing contingency.

The next event with fencing will be 7 Deadlies in New York . Next local event with fencing will be the Saint Patrick's Parade.

As the spreadsheet previous started was lost. I am requesting all fencers to contact me with the following information;

Mundane Name

SCA Name

Authorization dates (for historical record)

Authorization expiration date

contact phone numbers and email address.

- Minister of Youth – No report. Aoife mentioned that all warrants are up February 15, and that the new warranting and background check process will be in place soon. Beginning at Coronation, all children's activities held must have at least one adult with the SCA background check pass card running them.
- Youth Combat – Vacant
- Captain of Thrown Weapons – There will be practices on Wednesdays on request. Anyone wishing to be trained as a thrown weapons marshal should contact Tigernach
- Webminister – The new website is up and running. We had more than 500 unique visitors last month, most likely due to 12<sup>th</sup> Night.
- Canton – The Canton's bid for spring Coronation was accepted, due to a great site for the horses. Many Barony members have already volunteered to help. Aoife and Jock can use many more volunteers! The Canton did a demo at the Delaware Valley High School for about 120 kids, with Aoife, Tiercelin and Thomas and will probably be asked to return. The Canton business meeting took place at the Yule revel and covered Coronation prep. The Yule revel was a big success.
- Seneschal – There will be a Seneschal's meeting at 12<sup>th</sup> Night. One bid was submitted for Melee Madness by Gunnar.

#### **New Business**

• The St. Patrick's Day Parade is February 15. The same parking lot may be available. Demos or parades with horses must have the equestrian insurance purchases and all SCA participants must sign the equestrian waivers. Julianna will be in charge of the parade coordinating.

A motion was made by Gregory and seconded by Tufa to have horses as part of the SCA contingent at the parade, and approved by a majority voice vote.

- A bid was presented for the Year's Event by Julianna and Tufa. A preferred date of April 26 was discussed. The bid was tabled pending review by the financial committee.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30.



# MELEE MADNESS

Madness in the form of battle fever has once again descended upon the Barony of Endless Hills!

On May 30, 31 and June 1, 2008, we invite all to join us as Melee Madness returns with the classic Warlord tourney and five man melee team combat. Enjoy a day of martial activities in preparation for Pennsic. If enough fighters arrive Friday evening there may be a torchlight tourney. We ask that participants in the Warlord's tournament refrain from using duct tape or pads as their submission to the Warlord chest. (more info to follow)

**Fencers:** Dare to test your mettle (and your metal)? Start off with our morning Bearpit, and after a brief respite for lunch, launch right into the Tavern Brawls. The resurrection of the ever popular Triskele tournament in late afternoon will segue into the Torchlight tourney and Elizabethan Footpad brawl throughout the evening. The swash of bucklers and the clash of rapiers will keep you busy all day and into the night. Contact the Fencing Marshal-in-Charge (see contact list below) for more information.

The **Annual Seven Pearls A&S Championship** will be held again at Melee Madness. An open A&S competition and an open Bardic competition will also be held for the glory of the arts of Aethelmearc. The theme is open, with documentation for A&S requested.

**Equestrian:** Join us for the Baronial Equestrian Championship and support your favorite equestrian as they strive to impress His Excellency. There will be a baronial champion as well as an overall champion selected from competing equestrians.

**Horses** must have a current Coggins, which will be inspected by the MIC. NO horse will be allowed to unload without one. Stalls are \$10.00, plus a \$5 deposit. The deposit is refundable upon leaving an inspected, stripped and cleaned stall. Information must be provided for each horse. Forms available at troll or download on the website. 'Team Penning' takes place on Friday nights at this arena. If you arrive early you can observe this fast paced action of modern day cowboys,

A **bake sale** will be held Saturday morning.

**MERCHANTING** is free, however, space is limited so merchants must pre-register with the merchant coordinator (see contact list below). Merchants must bring their own dayshades/tents and tables. There is no indoor merchanting space.

The **SITE** is the equestrian area of the Wyoming County Fairgrounds, Route 6, Meshoppen, PA (no street address). The site has large flat lawn areas for fighting, day-shades, and camping, with plentiful water and porta-castles. The horse arena is well-kept with bleachers for observers, and excellent box stalls. This site is discretely damp, period containers please. Enclosed flame and portable fire pits are permitted. Banners and pageantry encouraged!

**CAMPING** sites with an electric and water hook-up are available for \$25.00/weekend. Tent camping (without electricity and water hook-up) is free. Contact reservationist (see contact list below) to reserve. **GATE** opens Friday at noon and closes at 9:00 PM. Gate will open again at 9:00 AM Saturday and close at 4:00 PM. Contact deputy autocrat (see contact list below) for other time arrangements. A **DAYBOARD** to satisfy a hungry fighter is included with your site fee. Contact Dayboard head cook (see contact list below) to address dietary concerns. **FEAST** will be the usual fantastic and abundant Endless Hills gourmet production. Contact Feast head cook (see contact list below) to address dietary concerns. Feast is limited so reserve early!

## FEES:

Site Fee: Adults \$8.00, Youth 13-17 \$7.00 Children 5-12 \$4.00, Under 5 free. Family cap on site fees \$30.00  
Feast Fee: Adults \$8.00, Youth 13-17 \$6.00, Children 5-12 \$4.00, Under 5 \$1.00 for feast seat, or free if on an adult lap. No family cap on feast fees. Reservationist: THL Kateryna ty Isaf, see contact info below

\$3 NMS applies to adults without proof of membership at gate. **Make checks payable to SCA, Inc—Barony of Endless Hills Please note that all attendees must sign the site rules sheet. You can download it from Site Rules button above to save time at troll. All attendees must all sign an equestrian waiver, whether you will be riding or not. This is an SCA site requirement for all equestrian events.**

## CONTACTS:

Autocrat: Lord Gunnarr of Endless Hills, (papagg350@yahoo.com ) Dave Gable, RD 2, Box 501, Dalton, PA 18414 (570)-563-1684)

Reservationist/Head Troll: THL Kateryna ty Isaf (thlkateryna@verizon.net )

Karen Macek, 1119 Springbrook, Moosic, PA 18507 (570) 451-1386...do not call after 10 PM)

Deputy Autocrat/ Merchant Coordinator: THL Maria Pienkneplotno (Linda Learn, Linda@classactfabrics.com (570-836-2318)

Heavy Melee contact: Sir Murdoch Bayne, (Jason Robson), SirMurdoch@aol.com )

Fencing contact: Lord Stefan Legas, (Stephen Legas, stefanlegas57@earthlink.net )

Feast head cook: Lord Anton, (Eric Bruzgulis, ebruzgulis@yahoo.com

Dayboard head cook: Mistress Euriol of Lothian (Cassandra Baldassano (570) 332-6194; 503 Stone Hedge Place, Mountain Top, PA 18707; euriol@ptd.net or euriol@yahoo.com)

## Directions:

From the South: Take your best route to Interstate 81. At exit 194, Clarks Summit, take Rt 6 west. (\*) At Factoryville, watch for signs as Rt 6 splits off to the right. Continue about 27 miles (adhere to the speed limit in Meshoppen!). Approximately 1 ¼ miles west of Meshoppen turn left at SCA sign. Go ½ mile, turn right, up the hill, and follow sign to troll.

From the North: You can follow I-81 to Clarks Summit as from the south or you can shave some miles and time with a pretty road. Get off I-81 at exit 230, Great Bend/Halstead, and follow Rt 11 south to Nicholson. About 4.5 miles past Nicholson turn right and follow route 6 west. Follow from (\*) in the 'South' directions.

From the East: Find your best way to Rt 6 West. From Clarks Summit, follow the South directions at (\*).

From the West: Find your best way to Rt 6 East. About four miles after Laceyville you will see the Wyoming County Fairgrounds on your right. Go past the Fairground's entrance about ¼ mile, turn right at SCA sign. Go ½ mile, turn right, up the hill, and follow sign to troll.



# COURT REPORT, 12TH NIGHT, JANUARY 12 AS XLII (2008)



This is the report of Baronial Court, held at Kingdom Twelfth Night by permission of TRM Duncan and Ilish of Aethelmearc. Court held on this 12 day of January, A.S. XLII (2008) by Ulrich Drachendonner, Baron, in the Barony of Endless Hills. Court herald Barbary Rose.

Lord Gunnar of Endless Hills was called forth to present the charter for the Endless Hills equestrian guild, and it was found acceptable by His Excellency.

Lord Tufa der Munthas was summoned to present the charter for the Barony Armorer`s Guild. Lord Tufa then called upon his lady Julianna Woolworth, who came forth to present His Excellency with the guild charter--a rolled scroll wrapped with much ribbon; the charter was found to be acceptable and Lord Tufa is to continue as the head of said guild.

Rhiannon le Meke, called Banshee, was summoned to His Excellency`s presence. Banshee was inducted into the ranks of the Order of the Crimson Thunderbolt, “mugging” by the Order to follow at a later date... scroll and poem by Barbary Rose.

Julianna Woolworth was called forth to receive the Order of the Zule, for her years of service to the Barony. Scroll by Fru Ellisiff of Endless Hills, with assistance from her Lord Eirik Goransson.

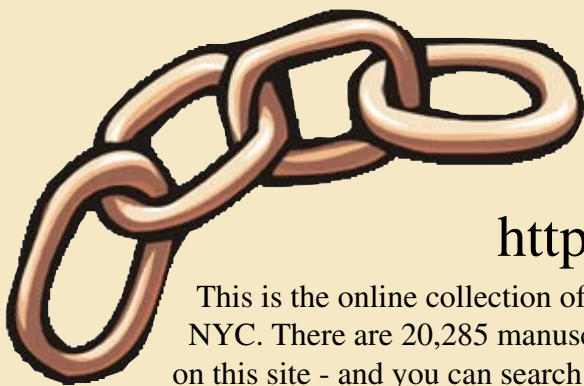
Jock MacPherson was called forth to be inducted into the Order of the Zule, for his quiet help behind the scenes and service to the Barony. Illumination by Failend Brecc O`Conaill, calligraphy by Lady Barbary Rose.

His Excellency then spoke to the assembled populace about the revival of the Baronial Guard. He thereupon requested, and received, signatures on a scroll from those who would serve.

The Court of His Excellency was then closed.

In service,

Barbary Rose, Herald, Endless Hills



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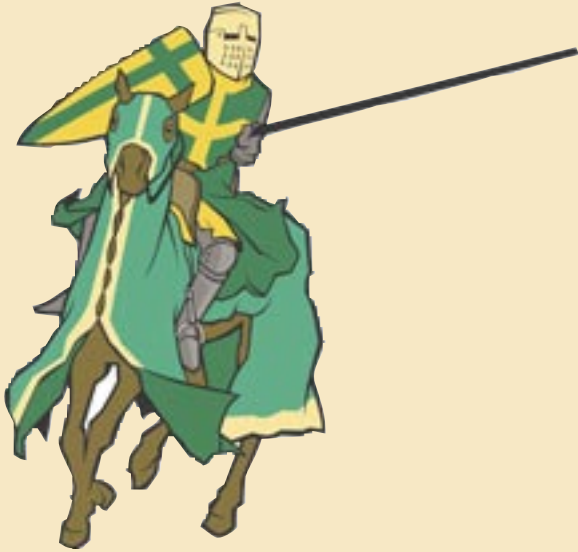
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This is an absolutely breathtaking collection, and an incredible resource for scribal, garb and medieval research. Check out the book on medieval equine and veterinary care at [http://utu.morganlibrary.org/medren/single\\_image2.cfm?page=ICA000109506&imagenamem735.002r.jpg](http://utu.morganlibrary.org/medren/single_image2.cfm?page=ICA000109506&imagenamem735.002r.jpg).



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## REGULARLY SCHEDULED BARONIAL ACTIVITIES:

First Friday of the Month:

Woodworker's Guild - contact Lady Dawn

Mondays:

Heavy and Fencing Practice at CTTC in Carbondale

Also A&S Gather

7:00 to 10:00pm

Tuesdays:

Fencing and Heavy Practice at Forty Fort Borough Building

8 to 10pm

Wednesdays:

Newcomer's Meet & Greet : 7:30

Borders in Dickson City (Week 2-ea. month)

Barnes & Noble in W-B (Week 4-ea. month)

Stitchers/Euriols week 1/Tiercelin's week 3

Thursdays:

Armorer's Guild Meeting at Lord Tufa's home

First & last Thursday of the month