

ACROSS THE HILLS

The Newsletter of the Barony of Endless Hills



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FROM THE CHRONICLER

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.

I welcome all of your suggestions on this newsletter - are you happy with it just being a record of meeting minutes and scheduled events? What else would you like to see in these pages? I personally would like to see more submissions from Baronial members here - I welcome poetry, articles, photos, whatever! Please send me stuff!

My term will be coming to an end this November and I am a big believer in letting other good folk have a chance to serve in Baronial offices - if you are interested in beoming our Baronial Chronicler, now would be a good time to start thinking about it. I'd be happy to answer any questions you might have about what's involved.

Yours in Service, Tiercelin

DOMESDAY BOOK FORM

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Barony of the Endless Hills
February 3, 2008 Meeting Minutes

Officers Present: Tigernach, Barbary Rose, Kateryna, Gregory, Luminista, Tiercelin, Banshee, Euriol, Goimir

Members Present: Maria, Gunnar, Doovay, Dawn, Enn, Failend, Sondra, Hrolf, Cael

Important Dates:

• Next Baronial business meetings are March 9, April 13 and May 4 at 2 pm at Gander Mountain. The June meeting will be June 1 at the Melee Site. The July 13 meeting will be at Kat's house.

Approval of Minutes:

January meeting minutes approved by Kat with a second by Goimir. Passed with majority vote.

Old Business

- Gunnar presented several options for trailers and storage facility rental. The idea was tabled because the costs are too high for the Baronial budget at present.
- The insurance is done for the Parade. The float needs to be re-built, contact Eirik to help. We will be doing some sort of thank you scroll for the Credit Union; Barbary Rose is taking charge of this.
- The final bid was submitted for Year's End. Motion to approve by Kat, seconded by Tiercelin. The bid was approved by voice vote.

Event Reports

12th Night – The event was quite successful and there were many compliments. However, lack of enough cleaning crew may mean that we will not easily be able to rent the site in future. This is an issue that has been continual with our events, and that needs to be addressed for future ones. The event made a profit of 355.26 for us and 355.26 for the Kingdom, well over the amount projected in the bid.

Officer Reports

Note: Guild reports were held until the next meeting to expedite the meeting so participants could get home for the Super Bowl.

- Baron – Not present. No report.
- Herald/ Scribe's Guild – Rhiannon le Meke, called Banshee now has a registered name and arms! As does Tigernach mac Cathail, whose device passed Society. Baronial Court report from 12th Night has been published on the Endless Hills list, and will appear in the newsletter. Kingdom Court was also held that same day with many award recipients from our Barony. From a heraldic standpoint, I want to compliment the Barony court for looking really good in their coordinating tabards--let`s keep up the heraldic display for our next and future events! Banner workshop will be re-scheduled when the weather gets more predictable. ...get your banner ideas ready.
- Signet Office/Scribe's Guild – My thanks to all who undertook scroll assignments for 12th Night, and to all who were drafted--er, who volunteered to help with the 6-7 backlog scrolls from that day...I was also pleased to see many of our Barony attending Sterlynge Vayle's Heralds & Scribes event; and I will look forward to seeing the products of what we learned in future assignments! Mistress Alicia Langland from Abhain Ciach Glas has offered to teach any and all who wish to take up calligraphy and scroll work in general at our next A&S day/gathering; I hope we can take advantage of her generosity! Mistress Alicia is a Laurel in the scribal arts.
- Equestrian Officer – Gunnar is the marshal in charge for the St. Patrick's Day Parade. There will be horses at Melee Madness. Banshee is looking at a potential site in the Poconos for equestrian events.
- Historian – I am working on the Scrapbook. Please share your memories of our Barony to fill the many pages.
- Exchequer –Balanced is \$4095.32. The year's end report has been completed and the 12th Night report is done. We had two bad checks, not from Barony members.
- Inventory Steward – Everything is done.
- Chronicler –February newsletter out on time. Please submit articles for the Kingdom A&S issue and send articles in for the newsletter.
- Knight Marshal – Not present, written report. No new authorizations. Practice is still Monday 7:30-9:30 in Carbondale and Tuesday 7:30-9:30 in Forty Fort.
- Minister of Arts & Science –Recent Events & Workshops
1/12/2008 – Twelfth Night in Endless Hills.
A&S Competitions: "Queen of Tarts", best late period garb, best hat and best accessory, Kingdom Bardic Champion. Activities: Period Games Tournament, Dancing, and Artisan's Forum
1/20/2008 – Open A&S day. Cook's guild met and redacted recipes.
Upcoming Events & Workshops
2/10/2008 – Open A&S day at Tiercelin & Jock's (Carbondale).
2/9/2008 – A Fool;s Court in Myrkfaelinn (featuring games)
2/16/2008 – Feat of the Seven Deadly Sins in Delftwood (Sinful Games, Sotelty competition, Bardic Competition)
2/23/2008 – College of Three Ravens in Thescore
2/23/2008 – Imbolc in Nithgaard (Indoor games)
3/1/2008 – Submissions are due for the Æstel Arts & Sciences Issue.
3/2/2008 – Open A&S day at Eirik & Ellisif's
3/15/2008 – Festival of the Passing of the Ice Dragon in Rhydderich Hael
4/6/2008 – Open A&S day at Tiercelin & Jock's (Carbondale).
- Minister of Lists – If a tournament is held in the woods and no one comes, is there anything to report?

- Chatelaine –There were 3 newcomers at 12th Night. She is going to start having newcomers meetings before the Barony meetings.
- Chirurgeon – Vacant
- Captain of Archers – Nothing new to report.
- Marshal of Fence – written

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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. So far, this is being well received.

Neophyte: 4-6 - plus a recent influx of new people interested in the SCA in general - as well as fencing. We are also seeing some heavy-weapons- fighters now trying fencing which is giving us ol'timers as well as new-timers, new challenges.

New Auths: None, Injuries: none, Equipment issues: None - except a serious lack of satisfactory loaner gear.

Recent Events / activities: Demo for the Brownies at Tuesday (Jan 22) night practice - several fencers and several heavy fighters. Went very well - the young ladies were very impressed with "women fighters" and were very inquisitive which gave just about everyone an opportunity to be educators as well as informative.

Upcoming Events (being planned for): (In Barony) Coronation, St. Patrick's Day Parade, Melee Madness, Year's End (Out of Barony) 7 Deadlies, Ice Dragon, 7 Pearls and of course, Pennsic

• Minister of Youth – There were children's activities at 12th Night. Waiting to hear the final word from Kingdom on the new background check policies.

• Youth Combat – Vacant

• Captain of Thrown Weapons – Will start practices again in March or April depending on the weather.

• Webminister – Website is running smoothly.

• Canton – Not present, no report.

• Seneschal – There was a seneschal's meeting at 12th Night. Melee is on the Kingdom website.

New Business

• Sondra and Hrolf were presented with farewell cupcakes and wished all the best from the entire Barony as they leave to start their new lives in England.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55.



Fight practice at the CTTC - Melee!
Photos by Giovanna DiNapoli



AROUND OUR BARONY



Gunnarr and Barbary Rose looking resplendent at Kingdom 12th Night.



MELEE MADNESS

Madness in the form of battle fever has once again descended upon the Barony of Endless Hills! On May 30 - June 1, the Barony invites all to join us as Melee Madness returns.

Fighters: The classic Warlord tourney and five man melee team combat with broken field fighting. Enjoy a day of martial activities in preparation for Pennsic. If enough fighters arrive Friday evening there may be a torchlight tourney. Participants in the Warlord tourney are asked to bring something for submission to the Warlord chest.

Fencers, dare to test your mettle (and metal)? Start off with our morning Bearpit, and after a brief respite for lunch, launch right into the Tavern Brawls. The resurrection of the popular Triskele tournament in late afternoon will segue into the



Torchlight tourney and Elizabethan Footpad brawl through the evening.

Aethelmearc Equestrians! Tack up your mighty steed and prepare for the first ever Aethelmearc Equestrian Championships. Come challenge for the prestige of being the first ever Kingdom Equestrian Champion. All riders are welcome to participate and enjoy the day's competitions. Horses must have a current Coggins, which will be checked before unloading. Box stalls are \$10.00, plus a \$5 refundable deposit. Horse Information forms are available at the gate and can be downloaded from the Horse Info page. The Baronial Champion will be chosen by Baron Ulrich from the Barony riders competing that day.

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

MERCHANTING is free. However, merchants must pre-register with the deputy autocrat; THL Maria Pienkneplotno (Linda Learn, Linda@classactfabrics.com (570-836-2318)). Merchants need to bring their own dayshades/tents, tables, and chairs.

Youth activities will take place during the day. Dame Aoife Finn will be coordinating them.

The site is the Wyoming County Fairgrounds, Route 6, Meshoppen, PA 18630 (no street address). The site is discretely damp, period containers please. Enclosed flame and portable fire pits are permitted. Banners and pageantry are encouraged! GATE opens Friday at 1:00PM and closes at 4:00PM Sunday. Tent camping is free. CAMPING sites with an electric and water hook-up for RVs are available at \$25.00/weekend. Contact the reservationist to reserve.

A DAYBOARD to satisfy a hungry fighter is included with your site fee. FEAST will be the usual fantastic and abundant Endless Hills gourmet production. Contact the Feast cook, Lord Anton (Eric Bruzugulis, ebrugulis@yahoo.com), or the Dayboard cook, Mistress Euriol of Lothian (Cassandra Baldassano, euriol@ptd.net) to address dietary concerns. A bake sale will be held Saturday morning.

For the full days schedule go to the Barony website: http://www.endlesshills.aethelmearc.net/index_files/meleemadness.htm

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. \$3 NMS applies to adults without proof of membership at gate. Checks should be made out to "SCA, Inc. - Barony of Endless Hills." Reservationist: THL Kateryna ty Isaf, Isaf (thlkateryna@verizon.net) Karen Macek, 1119 Springbrook, Moosic, PA 18507 (570) 451-1386...do not call after 10 PM). Autocrat for the event is Lord Gunnarr of Endless Hills, (papagg350@yahoo.com) Dave Gable, RD 2, Box 501, Dalton, PA 18414 (570)-563-1684).

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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 Bruzugulis, ebrugulis@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)

Local hotel available is the Shadowbrook Inn and Golf Resort. It is located in Tunkhannock Pa and is approx 10 miles from the fairgrounds. Phone number: 1-800-955-0295

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 '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.

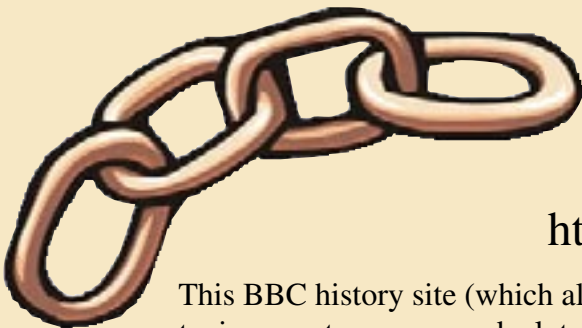


YEAR END TOURNAMENT II

A call goes out across the Endless Hills for warriors to gather together again to fight for the glory of battle. Our Year End Tournament is April 26th, 2008. The event will be held at Moon Lake Park, 196 Moon Lake Road, Hunlock Creek Pa. 18621. The day's activities include heavy weapon and fencing tournaments, mock wood's battles, thrown weapons, archery, children's events and an A&S competition.

The site opens at 9 a.m. and closes at 9 p.m. The site is discreetly damp. Dogs on leashes and contained fires are allowed. The park is a totally outdoor event, so day shades are encouraged. An all day lunch board is included in the site fee. There is no feast. Please contact the feast-o-crat Lord Anton Ivan Stauslovich (Eric Bruzgulis, ebruzgulis@yahoo.com or 570-287-0400 please no calls after 10 p.m.) with any allergy or dietary concerns. The site fees are as follows: Adults are \$10.00 a person, Teenagers (13-17) are \$7.00 a person, Children (6-12) are \$5.00 a person and Infants (under 6) are free. Please send reservations by April 12th to Lady Juliana Woolworth (Mary-Frances Rigelwood) at 44 Hill Street, Nanticoke Pa. 18634, empress_mary@hotmail.com or 570-262-1405 please no calls after 10 p.m). Make checks payable to SCA, Inc. - Barony of Endless Hills. A \$3 NMS fee will be collected from all non-members at the event.

Directions: From all locations please take your best route to Interstate 81. Take exit 164 which is the Nanticoke-Route 29-US Route 11 exit. Follow this road until you pass all of the exits and come to a Y intersection. Stay in the left hand lane and follow the ramp. You will come to a stop sign and continue to go straight. Go through the traffic light and continue down the road until you see signs for Route 29. Turn right onto Route 29-Mill Street. Continue down this road; it is very windy so please do not speed. Once you see a water treatment tank on your left and a huge lake on your right, please slow down. At the top of the hill you will see a very large sign that says Moon Lake Park. Turn left at the sign (Moon Lake Park Road) and go up the hill. You will again come to a Y intersection, please bear left and follow the road until you see the entrance to the park, which is a left hand turn. Once you get into the park, please follow the signs to Pavilion Number 2. There will be a parking lot on the left and the road to the pavilion will be on the right.



LINK OF THE MONTH: BBC: VIKINGS

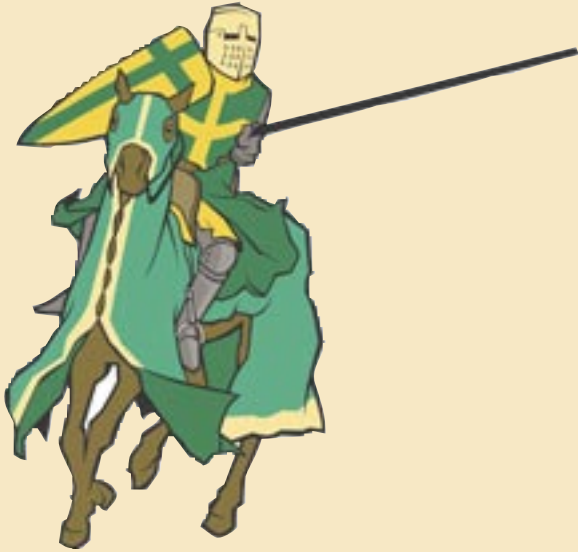
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/ancient/vikings/>

This BBC history site (which also has sections for Romans, Greeks, etc. is a great resource and a lot of fun - play Viking Quest, an interactive game to capture the monastery at Lindisfarne. There are sections on Viking weapons, Viking women, Viking food and more.



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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 : 7:00

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