

ACROSS THE HILLS

The Newsletter of the Barony of Endless Hills



APRIL A.S. XLII • C.E. 2008

BARONIAL OFFICERS:

This is the public version of Across the Hills. To get the full version free by email, with the officer information, please contact the Chronicler at carnabyservices@yahoo.com with your email address, and SCA and mundane names.

Official Barony Website:

www.endlesshills.aethelmearc.net

This is Across The Hills, a publication of the Barony of Endless Hills of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. Across the Hills is available from Phoebe Waller-Sharp, 15 North Church Street, Carbondale, PA 18407. It is not a corporate publication of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. and does not delineate SCA policies. Across the Hills is published 10 times per annum. All article copyrights remain with the original authors.

All illustrations, unless otherwise noted, are copyright from Jupiter Images and used with permission.



FROM THE CHRONICLER

This is your last chance to be in the Domesday book, which is basically the Baronial phone and address book. This year's edition will be published this month. 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.

The tournament season fast approaches and it looks like we may have spring at last! So shake off those winter doldrums and send me some artwork, poetry, articles and interesting content for this newsletter! The newsletter goes to many people outside our group, including the royalty, several kingdom officers, and various other subscribers - so share your talents with the world at large!

We have two events coming up within the Barony - the event announcements are here in the newsletter, but full coverage can also be found on our website. Bookmark www.endlesshills.aethelmearc.net and use it often!

Yours in Service, Tiercelin

DOMESDAY BOOK FORM

SCA NAME AND TITLE: _____

MUNDANE NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

WEBSITE: _____

INTERESTS: _____

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!

RETURN TO TIERCELIN AT THE BUSINESS MEETING OR MONDAY NIGHT FIGHT PRACTICES OR BY MAIL TO:

Phoebe Sharp

15 North Church Street

Carbondale, PA 18407

YOU MAY ALSO EMAIL THIS INFO TO: carnabyservices@yahoo.com

Barony of the Endless Hills
March 9, 2008 Meeting Minutes

Officers Present: Tigernach, Barbary Rose, Tiercelin, Banshee, Euriol, Ulrich

Members Present: Jock, Dearbhforgaill

Important Dates:

- Next Baronial business meetings are 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:

February meeting minutes approved by Euriol with a second by Banshee. Passed with majority vote.

Old Business

- St. Patrick's Day Parade - Waiting to see what the weather is like for the horse participation. Everything else is done.

Officer Reports

- Baron – Championships will be held for Heavy, Thrown and A&S at the Year's End event in April. The 7 Pearls A&S will be at Melee Madness.

- Herald/ Scribe's Guild – No events, nothing to report other than if you have a name or device submission that you would like help with, let me know!

- Signet Office/Scribe's Guild – Backlogs from 12th Night have been assigned; as they are finished they will be presented to the recipients. Anyone who wishes to create illuminations/ calligraphy for future award scrolls can feel free to do so...if you need help or inspiration, PLEASE contact me! Year's End Tourney is coming up, and you can display your work at the A&S competition for all to see!

- Equestrian Officer – Upcoming events for equestrians include the Parade, Coronation, the Ladies Confed Event on May 26, and Melee Madness, which will have the Baronial and Kingdom championships. Waiting for the new rules to come out.

Working on holding practices.

- Historian – no report, not present.

- Exchequer – Not present, no report.

- Inventory Steward – Nothing to report.

- Chronicler – March newsletter out on time; one new subscriber. Please send articles in for the newsletter. The Domesday Book will come out in April/May.

- 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. For anyone looking to get authorized or reauthorized for the St. Pat's parade please attend either Monday or Tuesday's practice. There will be no day authorizations for the parade.

- Minister of Arts & Science – Submitted 1st Quarter A&S Report to Region 3 A&S Deputy.

Recent Events & Workshops

2/10/2008 – Open A&S day held at the home of Tiercelin & Jock in Carbondale.

2/23/2008 - Maria P. & Euriol taught classes at College of Three Ravens in Thesocorre.

3/2/2008 - Open A&S day held at the home of Eirik & Ellisif in Mountain Top.

Upcoming Events & Workshops

4/6/2008 – Open A&S day at Failend's in Scranton.

4/26/2008 - Year's End Tourney. A&S & Baronial A&S competitions to be held.

5/10/2008 - Open A&S day at Euriol's in Mountain Top.

5/31/2008 - Melee Madness - Seven Pearls A&S competition.

- Minister of Lists – Not present, nothing to report.

- Chatelaine – Chatelaine Report

There have been three new comers since the last Barony Meeting. I am currently preparing for the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Scranton on March 15, 2008. If anyone needs garb or transportation for the parade please contact me as soon as possible. We will have new fliers to hand out at the parade this year.

Finally I have worked out my computer issues and have control of the Chatelaine website! So look for updates in the near future. Anyone interested in posting an article for new comers to see on the site about their experiences in the Barony and the SCA please contact me and we'll get it up on the site. Remember we are all newcomer representatives and our input is important!!!! New Comer Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of every month at the Border's Cafe in Dickson City and the 4th Wednesday of every month at the Barnes and Noble Cafe in the Arena Hub Plaza, Wilkes-Barre. Both meetings start at 7PM. We will continue to have a newcomer's meeting before every Barony Meeting, and they start at 12 noon.

- Chirurgion – Vacant

- Captain of Archers – Not present, nothing new to report.

- Marshal of Fence – Not present, written report:

Authed: 17

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. I am still in need of authorization / expiration

information from the fencing community.

Sir Tristin (the AE Earl Marshal) has recently put up a website that lists all warranted Marshal's in the Kingdom which includes Fencing Marshal's.

The recent influx of new people interested in the SCA in general - as well as fencing - appears to be continuing. We are now just (impatiently) waiting for the weather to improve as there are some possibilities on the table for outdoor practices and I plan to look into additional practice locations in and around the Scranton area for a 2nd fencing practice night.

New Auths: None, Injuries: none. Equipment issues: None - except (as previously reported) a serious lack of satisfactory loaner gear.

Recent Events / activities: Fencing Contingent attended 7 Deadlies.

Upcoming Events:

(In Barony) St. Patrick's Day Parade, Melee Madness, Year's End

(Out of Barony) Ice Dragon, 7 Pearls and of course, Pennsic

- Minister of Youth – Not present, no report.
- Youth Combat – Vacant
- Captain of Thrown Weapons – Will start practices soon depending on the weather.
- Webminister – Website is running smoothly and being updates regularly. Last month we had 205 unique visitors, 152 first time visitors and 53 returning visitors.
- Canton – This is my last report as Seneschal. The Canton held a Business Meeting on March 2 with 10 adults and several children present, and we conducted elections. The new roster of Canton officers is:

Seneschal: Lord Jock MacPherson

Exchequer: Goimir Goryanski

Knight Marshal: Master Gilbert

Archery: Baron Tigranes

Herald: Lady Christianna

Web Minister: Lady Tiercelin

Chancellor Minor: Dame Aoife

Chatelaine: Lady Enn, assisted by Lady Esther Pratt

Tiercelin was appointed as the Canton's Media Liaison.

The canton has grown tremendously, approximately doubling our members over the winter, and we look forward to plans for future events.

Canton Business meeting dates for the year through the fall are:

April 6, May 11, June 8. July 6 and September 7.

Times and locations will be posted on the Canton website.

The Canton is holding an event, which is now registered on the Kingdom calendar, on September 27 at Lake Equestrian Center in Lake Ariel. It will be titled the Not Ready for Crown Tournament Tournament. Tiercelin is the autocrat. Although this is an equestrian center, there are no plans at present to have equestrian at the event.

- Seneschal – Curia was held at Stormsport and full details will be posted soon. The quarterly report is in.

New Business

- Officers are asked to develop a job description for their position. Check with your Kingdom superiors when doing this.
- We would like to explore the possibility for pizza parties, or other rewards for people who help with event clean-up, as this is becoming a problem within the Barony. Delftwood has instituted this with a lot of success.
- Bids for Fasching are due in by the May business meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 3 pm.





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, ebruzgulis@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).

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 Bruzugulis, 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)

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.

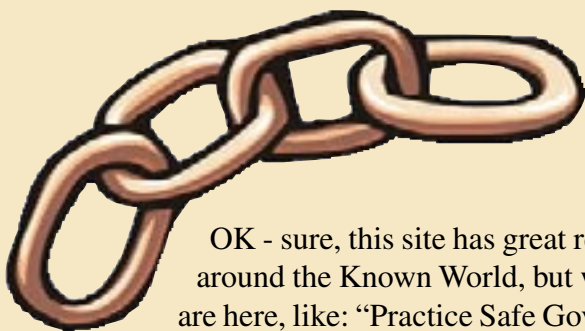


YEAR'S END TOURNAMENT II

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 Baronial champions will be chosen for Heavy, A&S & Thrown Weapons.

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: PAVILIONS & SAYINGS

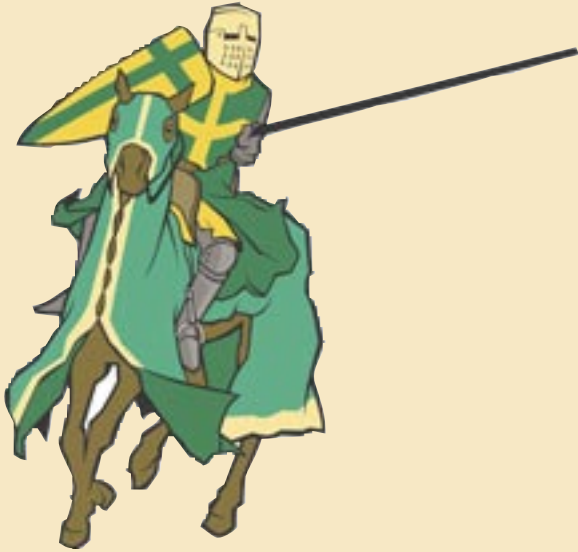
<http://www.currentmiddleages.org/tents/scasaying.htm>

OK - sure, this site has great resources for medieval pavilions, including photos of pavilions from around the Known World, but what I really love is the SCA t-shirt sayings page. All your favorites are here, like: "Practice Safe Government...Use a Kingdom", "The Way to a Man's Heart is Through His Ribs", "Never piss off a bard, for they are not subtle, and your name scans to Greensleeves" and my personal favorite.... "Elizabethan Christmas: Codpiece on earth, good frills for men." Enjoy!

SEND YOUR FAVORITE LINKS TO:
CARNABYSERVICES@YAHOO.COM



ACROSS THE HILLS
PHOEBE WALLER-SHARP
15 NORTH CHURCH STREET
CARBONDALE, PA 18407



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