

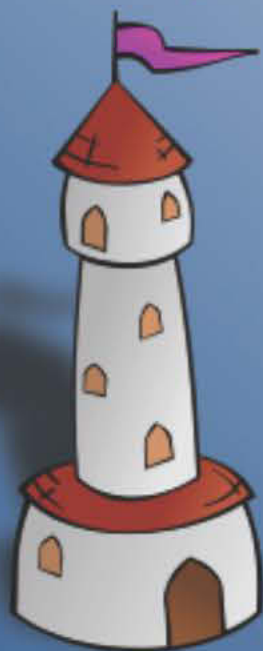
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BOREALIS

Society of Creative Anachronism

GRAND THUA - April 19-22

Their Highnesses of Avacal and Their Excellencies of Borealis, Reme & Divera wish to invite the populace of Avacal and the Known World to the spring session of Their Highnesses' University of Avacal (THUA) in the Barony of Borealis on April 19-22, 2013. There will be something for everyone - classes will be offered in rapier, archery, heavy fighting, arts & sciences, bardic and the marshallate.

Friday night 8pm -- midnight there will be a meet & greet mixer.

Saturday site opens at 8am, classes will begin at 9am. Hall closes at midnight.

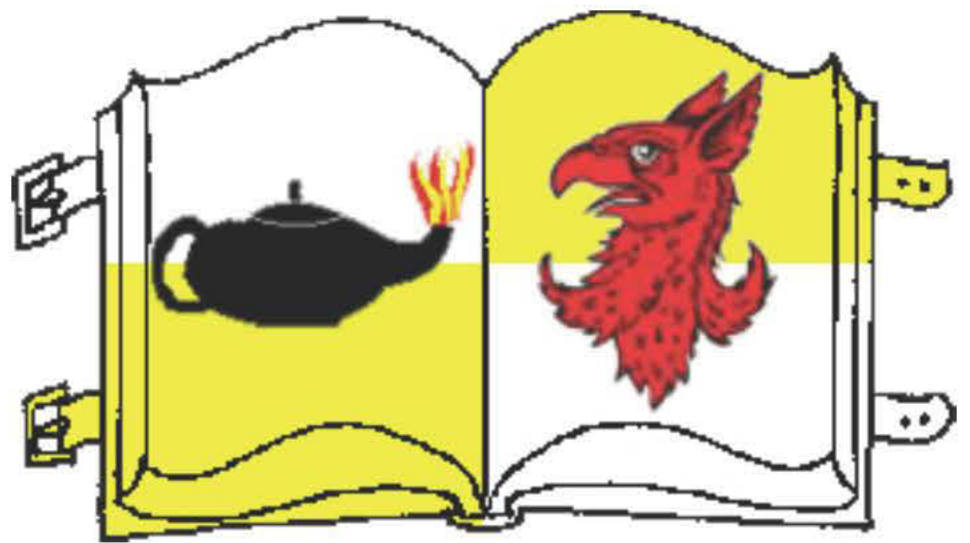
Sunday -- Heavy fight practice and Rapier prize tournament 11am -- 3pm.

(\$5 practice fee will be collected as usual).

Site Fee: Adults \$15.00, Youth (12-17) \$6.00, Children under 12 free.

Feast Fee: Adults \$8.00, Youth (6-17) \$5.00, Children under 6 free.

Family cap (2 parents & Youth for site) \$45.00



There will be a \$5 Non-Member Surcharge for those who do not produce a valid membership. Please make cheques payable to "SCA Inc. Barony of Borealis"

For information on class scheduling or any questions regarding the event, please contact the event stewards.

Event Stewards: Maistreas Sadb ingen Thuathail & HL Faelan O'Dalaigh
vfoster63@gmail.com

Feast Steward: Borealis Culinary Group

Site Info:

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From The Chronicler

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Deadline for the next edition of the Aurora will be March 22, 2013

Adelaide de Honfleur
Borealis Chronicler





Other Groups In The Principality of Avalon



Bitter End
(Red Deer, AB) (Shire)
www.sca-bitterend.org/

Bordergate
(Cold Lake, AB) (Shire)



Cold Keep
(Prince George, BC) (Shire)
www.avacal-sca.org/coldkeep/

Harrows Cross
(Strathmore, AB) (Shire)
www.harrowscross.ca/



Montengarde
(Calgary, AB) (Barony)
www.montengarde.org/inside.html

Myrgan Wood
(Saskatoon, SK) (Barony)
theringlord.org/mw/



Rhuddglyn
(Medicine Hat, AB) (Shire)
www.avacal-sca.org/rhuddglyn/

Sigelhundas
(Regina, SK) (Shire)
www.sigelhundas.or/



Valley Wold
(Moose Jaw, SK) (Shire)
valleywold.ca/index.htm

Vinjar
(Grande Prairie) (Shire)
vinjar.antir.sca.org/



March 9, 2013
Winter War
Barony of Borealis



March 16, 2013
War Practice
Shire of Rhuddglyn



March 23, 2013
Spring Champions
Barony of Mygan Wood



April 3, 2013
Tarvern
Barony of Borealis



April 6, 2013
Ferret's Feast
Shire of Valley Wold



April 19-22, 2013
Grand THUA
Barony of Borealis

Pilgrimage to Ursulmas

"Give me your faith, something I can believe in, and you'll be my family, my brother, my friend. Tell me a truth that I find not deceiving, teach me a lesson that I understand" - Rotersand

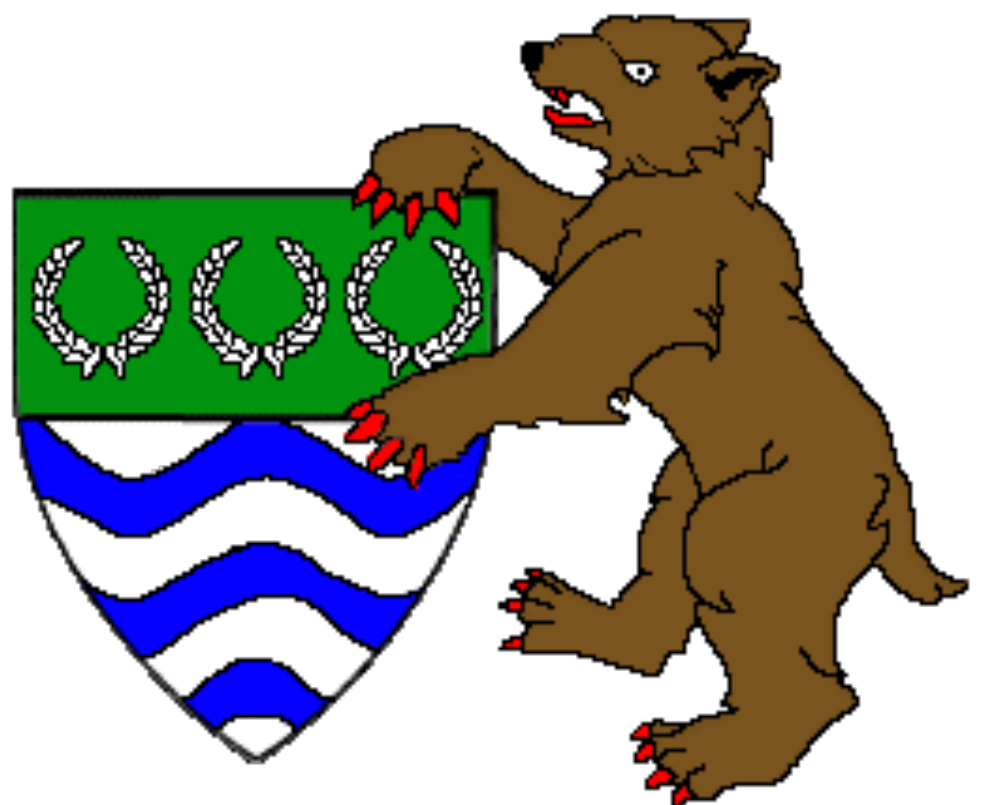
It took me three years but I finally made the pilgrimage to Ursulmas this year. Three years of hearing epic stories about fighter mecca. "Wait till you get there!" said my Avacal fighter brothers and sisters. "The entire weekend is about fighting!" "You can fight, and fight, and fight until you can't lift your sword and shield anymore and then you come back the next day and do it all again." And you know, they were so very right!

This year there were at least 200 heavy fighters! Such an amazing turnout! Having been newly squired to Sir Aiden, I was feeling fairly confident about my reason for being there and I was looking forward to testing my mettle. But when I walked up onto those eriks...well...I wasn't the only one raring for a fight.

The venue was huge! A well packed dirt floor arena, roomy eriks, and stands for seating of oh....500-1000! There was no pomp, no pageantry, just show up, get your gear on and fight until...well I already said that didn't I?

I participated in the Heavy Championship and the Bear Meat tourney.

The Heavy Championship was almost and all day event. Knights and Unbelted from across multiple Kingdoms competed. It was glorious! I was soundly trounced! And yet I learned SO MUCH. My Squire Brother, Uriel, on the other hand, soundly trounced his erik, nearly making it to final four!! Some surprised faces left his erik that day, No Sheild!!! Sir Aiden took part in the "Best Dressed" tourney, he's got some sharp looking period gear! He also spent a considerable amount of time in pick ups, teaching....and schooling up-and-comers in his own exceptional fighting style.



If you've never won a title or a prize, Chiv not included, you get to compete in Bear Meat Tourney. There were 17 fighters in my erik all of us swinging to win. I didn't do as well as I'd hoped but I didn't do too badly either. The best part of it was getting to meet and fight some very talented men and women that I have never cross swords with before. I was very impressed with the skill level that each person there exhibited. A Fighter Mecca on many levels.

Taking part in the Saturday night revels was also quite an experience. I watched, listened, laughed. The food was fantastic! Master Duncan's Pork roast and Meatballs were ALL business!!! I want to attend one of HIS feasts! I also got to imbibe a little of Master Duncan's Top Shelf, I NEED some of those for my own *Shelf*.

Some last thoughts, it really is a wonderful fighting event. If you are at all serious about Heavy and/or Rapier fighting, ditch the cold here in Edmonton and make the trek. It might rain the entire time you are there, but you WILL have achieved an SCA bucketlist event.

Jenette Wen Moryen



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Combat**

Peregrine



Master of Fence

Dante Machiavelli



**Minister of Art &
Science**

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Deputy- Catherine
of the Rowan tree

Bardic Deputy-

Mercilla of
Woodleigh

Tavern Report

BARONY OF BOREALIS
MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 6, 2013
START: 7:45PM

Welcome Newcomers: We have two newcomers, everyone please make them welcome. Newcomers, please feel free to ask questions of anyone here tonight.

Baron/Baroness: Tonight's Tavern is the Rapier Tavern of Love. We want to thank everyone for their help. February Investiture is coming up in Shire of Valley Wold (Moose Jaw). Winnar and Sina are stepping down and Inar and Sadb will be elevated. We welcome you to come and enjoy the festivities, also their Majesties will be in attendance. Winter War is around the corner, Mar 9 2013, should be a Grand War as always. Sargentry Trials are coming up and if you are interested please have your letters on intent in by Winter War. We encourage you to make award recommendations.

Seneschal: Thank you all for coming out tonight. Thanks to the officers for getting their reports in on time. March Tavern will be the 2nd Wednesday, 13 of March, instead of the 1st Wednesday. This will be posted on the Yahoo Group. March 6 we will be having WAR practice here at the hall. 17 and 24 of Feb there will be no practice as the hall is not available. We are still looking for a new Chatelaine in the next few months, anyone interested can shadow Kasinia. Family Activities Coord is needed this position is mainly needed at Silver Wolf.

We require a deposit for Winter War of \$500. A motion was put forth to write a cheque to cover the damage deposit, seconded by Adleheid, motion passed. We are looking for an Autocrate for Silver Wolf in Warburg. We would like to book the hall in Warbug as soon as possible. Motion to write a cheque for \$500 to secure the Warburg site for Silver Wolf, seconded by Ethnia, motion passed.

Chatelaine: We have 2 new people here tonight, please feel free to talk to anyone with questions. We did not do the Demo on the 13 of January due to the temperature being too cold. We are still looking for demos to do, if you know of someone who might be interested in having us do a demo for them please come see me, Demos are important for us to become a



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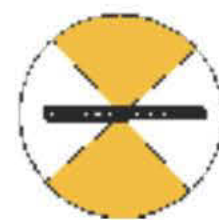
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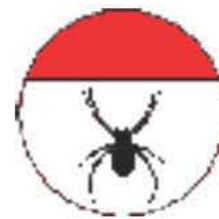
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**Family Activity
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Reginald Urrie

For contact emails see
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Kingdom to show that we are an educational group. We did have the Bards and Dancers do their demos for the Deep Freeze Festival in January and they went very well. If you are interested in becoming the next Chatelaine please see myself or Mika.

Exchequer: We are doing well. Contact the Seneschal if you would like to know the current bank balance.

Minister of Stables: Not in attendance, fighting is going well lots of heavy fighters are coming out to practice.

Youth Combat: Peregrin and Arwin held classes and we have 2 new senior and 2 new junior marshalls, congratulations to all.

Minister of Fence: Rapier is being very well attended. We have a couple of new people to be authorized. WAR practice will be held on March 6.

Minister of Arrows: Tournaments are now in full swing at our new location, Sherwood Park Archery Club on Wednesday 6-9 and Friday 7-9. We have a 40 yard range, we still cannot use cross bows at this time. There will be a workshop held by Ravens Wood – Traditional arrow making on 4 April the cost will be \$150 and you will walk away with a dozen arrows. Also, from 5-7 April there will be a bow making workshop the cost will be approx. \$450-\$500 and you will have your own bow.

At Winter War there will be loaner equipment available so that everyone can participate. We have been doing full royal rounds.

Minister of Arts and Science: A&S is alive and well, last month's brewing show and tell did not go so well due to the weather. I suggest you start working on A&S Championship items, we do still need judges for all the entrants. I will try to have everything for the competition on the Borealis site. Come out and participate and show Borealis how much talent we have. Spring THUA is just around the corner there will be a lot of good stuff to learn. This is the month of LOVE so I hope we are all making favours for people. A&S night will still be held on the Family Day Monday at Devera's. There is also A&S in Spruce Grove every Thursday night at Galeana's.

Corin is entering the Kingdom A&S championship and we all wish her good luck.

Galeana presented a bunch of little pin cushions and needle books for largess to the Baroness which was appreciated very much. Galeana also had a gift for Winar – a new tunic for Sina's baby daughter as well.

Herald: Last year Hearaldy was a huge success, this year we will be sponsoring taverns and libraries.

Chronicler: absent, we still need stories, pictures for our newsletter. When you are participating in any of the tournaments, etc. please take the time to jot down a line or two and hand in to Adelaide, you can also send this information on to Mika or Yamadi. There are newsletters on the tables for you to have

Gold Key: Gold Key is being well used,

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Email: creationsbygail@shaw.ca

<http://www.galeanascloset.com>



donations are always welcome. This enables us to discard anything that is too far gone to repair. I will ensure that there will be some gold key at Winter War.

Chirurgeon Still no news yet from Kingdom

Scribe – NONE, if you are interested please see Mika

Family Activities Coordinator: I require to step down, if anyone is interested please put in your name. This is a very important office as this means looking after our young.

Water Bearer – NONE

Web Minister – Absent , the site is great come and check is out.

Calendar: Calendar of events – 23 Feb is February Investiture in Valley Wold (Moose Jaw), come out and support your Royalty. 1-3 March is Kingdom A&S and Bardi in Blatha an Oir (Tacoma Washington), if you want to see the best of the best this is the place to be. 9 March is Winter War at the Westaskiwin Drill Hall. 16 March is War practice at Rhuddglyn, Medicine Hat. 23 March is Spring Champion at Myrgan Wood, Saskatchewan. 20 April is Grand THUA here in Borealis. 26-28 is Silver Arrow in Bitter End, Red Deer.

Grand THUA – the Class schedule should be our by 15 February for pre -registration. We have 99.9% of our instructors confirmed. We are still doing our bottle drive, if you have any please contact Sadb . We will be fundraising at Winter War as well there will be a silent auction, we are only \$900 away from our goal. Thanks to the culinary guild for their donation to THUA. Friday we will

have the meet and greet , classes will be held on Saturday and on Sunday there will be a Heavy and Rapier tournament.

Roderick is the Autocrat for Winter War and everything is progressing nicely. Thanks for all the help. If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering see Roderick. Regarding the netting please see Mika for key. We are lucky, that weekend there is no hockey tournament going on so the parking will be a lot better. We are trying to get more showers at the swimming pool across the way. Adelheid will be the head gate person. We will post info on the Yahoo site. There will be a time table out by the end of the week.

Old Business: NONE

New Business: Owen – We have a small supply of old Borealis T-shirts that I would like to sell and the profits going to THUA, I will post price at next Tavern. I would like to put a motion through to have a small amount \$300 to pay for set up fees and the run for a new batch of T-shirts. This is tabled until next Tavern as we need to check the appropriate SCA laws regarding this. In the meantime Owen will look into the costs a little more.

Kashi – We are doing Bardic 1st Monday and 3rd Wednesday at the hall from 7:30-9:30. Think up some suggestions for song s for Broealis.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:30 pm



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