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BOREALIS

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Message from the Baron and Baroness

Greetings unto our populace of Borealis,

As Silverwolf is fast approaching we would like to extend our official welcome to all participants who are vying to become "Champion" in the disciplines of either Heavy, Rapier, Archery or A&S. We only ask that those vying for Silverwolf Champion agree to the following:

- 1) Have a paid membership in the SCA and maintain the same during their tenure as a Champion of Borealis
- 2) For all fighting disciplines; have a valid authorization card in their field and maintain this during their tenure as Champion of Borealis.
- 3) All successful champions will arrange the war scenarios in their discipline for Winter War.
- 4) All successful champions will in ones years' time arrange a tournament to find their successor.
- 5) Live and play within the borders of Borealis

We remind participants that with fame comes responsibility as we are looking for a champion that will have a presence in the game by being a leader and a mentor in their discipline.

We look forward to seeing you all at Silverwolf.

Reme & Divera
Baron & Baroness of Borealis



From The Chronicler

Thank-you to those that provided photos or content for this issue of the Aurora, its truly appreciated.

Please send your content to: adelaide@huscarles.ca

Deadline for the next edition of the Aurora will be May 18, 2013

Adelaide de Honfleur
Borealis Chronicler



Message from the A&S Minister

Greetings all!

As you may be aware, we will be choosing a new A&S Champion of Borealis at Silverwolf on June 15.

Those who are interested in entering the Borealis A&S Championship competition must live in the Barony and have a valid SCA membership which they will maintain for the full year if they are chosen as Champion. Each entrant must prepare at least three entries. Four entries are permitted, in which case all four will be judged but only the best three scores will be tallied.

Contenders for the A&S Championship must declare their intention one month before Silverwolf. (For this year that would be on or before May 15.) Email your intention to the Baron/Baroness, the current A&S Champion and the Borealis A&S Minister. Please include your full name (both legal and SCA) and the items you will be entering so that we can find suitable judges.

If you do not wish to compete for the championship now but would like to have your work judged you may submit a "single entry". This is a good way to prepare for entering the championship competition in the future. Please inform the A&S minister of your intention by May 15.

If you have any questions about this, please contact me or one of the above-mentioned people.

More information will be available soon in the Aurora and on the Borealis web page.

Ever in service,
Coryn of the Wode
Borealis A&S Minister



AVACAL THUA



This years Avacal THUA was held in Borealis. After much preparation by the organizers the event was a wonderful success. Instructors from many different areas of interest arrived to teach the people of Avacal all kinds of new things. The day was a buzz with people in fighting, A&S and Heraldry classes.

The event was wrapped up with a lovely feast. The menu included: fresh bread, soup, salad, pork and veggies, apple fool and fruit. A very tasty spring meal.

On the following day the fun from the event continued with fight practice and a rapier tournament. Congratulations to Reme on winning the Tail of the Lion.



Court Report:

Congratulations to Mika Machiavelli on receiving a Guided Griffin and Adelaide de Honfleur on receiving a Decorated Letter



Upcoming Events:



May 4, 2013
May Champions
Shire of Cold Keep



June 2, 2013
June Coronet
Shire of Vinjar



May 11, 2013
Bordergate Revel
Shire of Bordergate



June 16, 2013
Silverwolf
Barony of Borealis



May 18 2013
May Crown
Baroney of Vulcanfeldt



June 23, 2013
Avacal/ Tir Righ War

The Lion's Tail

The Mane, Tail and Claws of the Lion are an An Tir wide celebration of the prowess of our rapier fighters. Instituted last summer, they were inspired by the Iron Ring of the East, the display and the challengers are to be done with as much pomp, circumstance and bravado as possible.

While there are several rules that should be followed, it the responsibility of the current holder, His Excellency Don Reme the Burgundian to explain them all. The important one to know is that the holder is expected to answer a challenge, but the challenger must be prepared to put on a dazzling display.

However, should you find yourself in full rapier pomp, and happen to encounter our illustrious Baron, he is obligated to answer both your questions, and your challenge!



The 5th Annual Huscarles Fools Cup



The households and populace of Borealis gathered at April Tavern to compete in the Huscarles Fools Cup. Teams compete in many different events such as hunker down, candle snuffing and Baric.

Congrats to the new holders of the fools cup
the household of Ravensrift.



Borealis Officers



Seneschal
Mika



Herald
Owen de Caldeket



Exchequer
Jenette Wen
Moryen



Master of Stables
Eric Shavarrson

**Warden of Youth
Combat**
Peregrine



Master of Fence
Dante Machiavelli



**Minister of Art &
Science**
Coryn of the Wode

Deputy- Catherine
of the Rowan tree

Bardic Deputy-
Vacant

Tavern Report

BARONY OF BOREALIS
MINUTES FOR April 3 2013
START: 7:45PM

Baron/Baroness: Thanks to the populace for responding to the call for Event Stewards; Silver Wolf is handled, still need Event Stewards for 2014 Winter War / Investiture (events combined). Also looking for appropriate site, as the Wetaskiwin Drill Hall is not available that date (overlaps Family Day weekend).

Seneschal: Things going well. First Quarter Officer reports are due April 10; forms can be found on the Principality website; enter Seneschal's email and submit electronically. Received request from Citadel Theatre for demo in conjunction with *Spamalot* production; offering free tickets in return (details still being worked out)

Chatelaine: New Chatelaine stepping up; current Chatelaine will file Officer report prior to stepping down. Thanks for an "awesome job".

Exchequer: Doing well. Contact Seneschal for current balance.

Minster of Stables: Starting tourney season shortly; practices "heating up". New people are always welcome. Need parts for Iron Key and looking for a site to hold an Armour building workshop.

Youth Combat: Officer report has been submitted. Need Senior Marshals; if interested, talk to any Senior Marshal.

Minister of Fence: All's well. Still getting good turnouts; have 2 members to be authorized soon. Summer battle season is approaching and gunnery classes will start shortly. Looking for help with scenario writing for Quad Wars; will not be putting on the "Forlorn Hope" again; need new ideas.

Minister of Arrows: Small turnout last practice due to Easter Weekend; looking forward to the summer seasons and the opening of the new outdoor range. Issue of wooden arrows in indoor range has been resolved.

Minister of Arts & Science: Looking for a new A&S Champion at Silver Wolf in June; projects should be started by now. Talk to any past or present champions if you're looking for ideas or guidance or attend an A&S night (every third Monday of the month - hosted by the Baroness)

Cooking Guild meeting Friday (hosted by Lady Coryn of the Wode); information on the mailing list.



Master of Arrows
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Ballindore



Chatelaine
Kseniia



Chronicler
Adelaide de
Honfleur



Gold Key
Ethnia



Scribe
Vacant



Chirurgion
Vacant



**Family Activity
Coordinator**
Vacant



Web Minister
Reginald Urrie

For contact emails see
www.borealis.avecal.net

Dancing practice is held at the Hall every Sunday from 12:00 to 1:00 pm; are holding a course right now (second Monday of the month; 7:00 – 9:00 pm) See notice on the Borealis list or contact Catherine.

Fill out the *Persona Questionnaire* left on tables to win a bottle of Lady Coryn's home-made wine; draw will take place later tonight during Fool's Tavern.

Fun competition – gather a team and make your own garb or favour, using materials left out on tables and anything else you can find (i.e. duck tape); entries will be judged at the May tavern.

Herald: Going well. Will have a Heraldry table at Thua.

Chronicler: Nothing to report aside from the ongoing call for submissions.

Gold Key: No report – absent.

Chirurgion: Nothing to report.

Family Activities Coordinator: Looking for a volunteer. Responsibilities are to help out at major events with children's activities (all "tools" are supplied). Contact the Baron, Baroness or Seneschal if interested.

Web Minister: Most recent newsletter posted on website. Looking for info on last event (due to lost notebook); submissions welcome.

Calendar of Events:

April Ferrit's Feast (Bitter End)
Silver Arrow (26/28)
Thua (19/20/21) Coming fast!

Needs: someone to plan lunch as a backup (haven't heard back from assigned group). Also need gate, registration and bar volunteers for 1 to 2 hour shifts on Friday night, as well as people to help with set up/tear down. Some classes still open – check the website.

Note: Registration for the feast is open and we'd like to nail down the numbers. Also, please remember that registering for feast is separate from registering for classes.

May Bordergate Revel (10)
May Crown (Yakama, WA) – great event!

June June Coronet (Vinyar – 2nd)
Silver Wolf (Warburg – 15th) We encourage camping for this event on the Friday/Saturday
Avacal/Tiri War (Salmon Arms)

OLD BUSINESS:

- Demo at the Strathcona Christian Academy went well; 6 people attended. Academy is donating \$200, which demo group would like to put toward Thua. Motion put to floor – passed unanimously
- There will be no Bardic get-togethers at the hall in April. Bardic sessions will resume in May when schedules permit.
- If Avacal is to become a kingdom, it must have a crown on its device.

If you have not already done so, please sign the petition for the color of your choice – white or yellow.

Require at least 50% of the populace and 75% of the Officers to sign or will have to start over again. You don't have to be a paid member or adult to sign – if you can sign your name, you can sign the petition.

NEW BUSINESS: Looking for new Gold Key; current Officer needs to step down. Please send an email to the Baron, Baroness or Seneschal if you're interested.

Adjournment and commencement of the 5th Annual Fool's Tavern Challenge for the Fool's Cup (a beautiful stuffed sheep): 8:15 pm. Good luck to all our Houses!

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