

THE AURORA

DECEMBER 2011

Archery Practice



Most Tuesdays

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

\$5.00 Lane Fee

Donation jar for loaner gear

Capital Region Archery Club
7404 Meridian Street
(NOT MERIDIAN ROAD)
Sherwood Park

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New!

Practice Monthly Pass

\$25.00 for the whole month of fighter practices.

Can be purchased at Taverns or at the first practice of the month.

Please see our Master of Stables or Baron Reme to purchase.



Barony of Borealis -
borealis.avacal.net

Principality of Avacal -
avacal-sca.org/

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Say What?

(NO NEW PICTURE THIS MONTH)

November's Picture.

Some of Last months
submitted captions...

Blind Date? ~ Meg Stewart

I've heard that the SCA has some pretty
strange ducks, but this is scary ~ Yamadi

Birds of a feather... ~ Debarah

Why did Dante cross the road? ~ Mercilla



Photo: Ymany



Officers & Deputies Needed



You can't run a Barony without Officers and Deputies.
The Barony of Borealis has some openings that need to be filled.

Positions for; ~ Chirurgeon (Officer)
~ Scribe (Officer)
~ Water Bearer
~ Web Minister (Officer)

If you want to help out, but feel that you are not ready to take on
the responsibility of an officer position, the Barony is always
looking for Deputies. If your interested, please talk to our
Seneschal.

I Need Content!

I need content for the newsletter to make this newsletter a good representation
of everything that is happening in our Barony.

Short stories on the various events that are attended by members of our barony
would be wonderful as I can not attend everything.

Looking for someone from each of the key areas to write small stories to update
our members on what is happening in your respective areas.

If you can help, please come and talk to me.

Ymany



A Harvest Celebration

Festival of Trees 2011

By Ymany Blackeye



Monday November 28, 2011 saw a group of five members meet down at the Shaw Conference Centre to decorate our donation into this years Festival of Trees.

This years theme was "A Harvest Celebration", and with that in mind, oranges, harvest golds, and burgundies were the main colours used on our tree.

I kept checking the stores around Halloween hoping to come across some orange mini lights, and much to my delight, I was able to get us a few strings at 75% off the original price. This complimented the orange, gold and burgundy bows and garland that I was able to get on clearance at Micheals. This was the first time that we have ever used bows and garland on one of our trees, and it added a lot of sparkle to the tree.

This years there where two group projects for the tree. Lana Rose came across a bunch of little baskets, and members crafted miniture vegetable and fruites to make a colourful addition to our ornaments. The second design were little yarn dolls. These were little 6 inch dolls that added a lot of character to the tree. These again were worked on over a number of taverns by all interested persons.

This year Galeana took on the task of not only making a burgandy tree skirt to go along with our theme, but she also crafted our unique harvest vegetable tree topper.

There were only a couple of other tree's in the festival that had coloured lights, but ours was the only one that had bright orange lights that I could find.



Other Groups
In The
Principality
of Avacal



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
(Grand Prairie) (Shire)



vinjar.antir.sca.org/





November's Tavern Report



November 2, 2011
Start time: 7:45 p.m.
Finish time: 8:25 p.m.

Newcomers: ?

Reports

Baron/Baroness: Hello all. We've had a break this month. Murganwood was great. November Coronet is in Medicine Hat, the King and Queen are supposed to be attending. December Yule is on the 17th this year.

Senschal: Everything is in good shape. If you have a membership, but are not receiving your Cryer, contact Mika to keep numbers up. Please sign up for Tavern. Many officer changes tonight.

Chatelaine: Hi Everybody! New people at practice. Demo at Enjoy Centre on December 3rd, 6-7:30. Please sign up to help out.

Exchequer: New Exchequer - Jennifer Bhirid. Healthy Bank balance. \$500.00 spent on netting for Winter War. October Tavern raised money for the Borealis Travel Fund.

Master of Stables: Lots of Bruises. monthly pass proposed. Ivan Vikingsson motion to initiate a monthly pass for a period of three months starting Nov 2011. Seconded by Fenrick Vikingsson.

November is Movember. Please donate what you can to provide funding for prostate cancer research.

Master of Fence: Currently Vacant. Titus to take over the duties, starting immediately Everything is good, Plenty of participants.

Master of Arrows: Tuesdays @ 7:00 p.m.
Location to be moving in the spring. Alternative not found yet. Rebuilding of arrows ongoing.

Minister of Art & Science/Bardic: Coryn to take up the position from Anabel. "I'm very excited to start newcomers classes. Hopefully displays done for next month. Please ask questions and learn new things."

Herald: All is well, nothing to report.

Chronicler: November issue is ready. 12 pages.

"Thank you to everyone who sent in stories. Please keep sending in your articles, pictures and stories. Officers, please send in announcements. Send it to the Borealis yahoo site.

Gold Key: All is well. Nothing new to report.

Chirurgion: Vacant. Write us a letter.

Pied Piper: Vacant.

Youth Combat: Numbers are low. Only 3 authorized Senior Marshalls. Peregrine is on vacation soon. We have some newcomers however we are lacking supervision for the youngsters.

Water Bearer: Vacant

Web Minister: No activity; please update searages and new officers. To be taken over soon, letter of intent to follow.

Calendar of Events

Coronet in November. Yule Feast December 17, 2011. Russian Themed. Classes. Need Teachers. Ducks need freezer space; tba, please be aware of allergies. A&S display for both adults and children.

Old Business

Festival of Trees for the U of A Hospital. Plenty of people to use to make ornaments, Monday November 28; 4 p.m. will be decorating tree at Shaw Conference Centre. Dress up and make it festive.

New Business

Thank you to outgoing officers, thank you for your time and service, welcome to the new officers. Thank you everyone who brought their banners for the evening.



November's Tavern



Thanks to the Cooking Guild who hosted November's Tavern.

The menu for the evening was inspired by food from the New World.



On the menu for the evening was;

*A hearty Potato and Bacon Soup
Corn Bread muffins
Cheese*

A selection of cookies and Squares



Taverns

We are in Need of groups to run upcoming Taverns. If no one steps up, then the hall will be closed at the end of the business meeting.

Hosting a tavern is a great way to raise funds. Do you need to replace some arrows or blades or rattan in your newcomers loaner gear? Host a tavern!

January Tavern ~ **NEED A HOST**

February Tavern ~ **Hosted by The Rapiers**

March Tavern ~ **Hosted by the Machiavellies**

April Tavern ~ **Hosted by the Huscarls**

May to December ~ **NEED HOSTS**



Presents;

Amour!

The Borealis Rapiers will again be hosting February's Tavern.

Money from this tavern will be going to replace and upgrade needed equipment for the Rapiers Steel Key.

There are a lot of ideas for what will be happening for this years LOVE TAVERN.

The popular Dessert Revel will again be happening, with a selection of delightful desserts to tempt your taste buds!

This year, show the one that holds your heart how much you love them by purchasing a "Performance Valentine"

**Come on out
for an enjoyable evening**

Fools Tavern!



April's Tavern will be hosted by the Huscarls.

As in previous years, they will be running their popular "Olympics", with contestants vying for the possession of the Fools Cup, and bragging rights for the rest of the year.

**Be prepared for a
night of fun!**

Upcoming Events



Borealis Yule Feast

Autocrat: Kseniia Nikolaeva doch & Olena Borisova

In the dark winters of Avacal, the Russian women of Borealis wish to share the warmth of their traditions and foods from their homeland. This year's Yule Feast will feature displays of life and games from the land of the Rus. As well, children from 6-17 are invited to participate in an Arts and Sciences competition, and a glorious Russian feast will leave empty bellies full and warm before the night is through.

Come, one and all, and learn the Russian delights that lie in the great barony of An Tir's north!

Site Info:
Alberta Avenue Community Centre
9210 118 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5G 0N2

Site opens at 10:00 a.m. and closes at 11:00 p.m.

Site Fees:
10 and Under: Free
10 and older: \$10
Feast: \$15
\$5 NMS applies to all people who do not show proof of membership.

Please send site, merchant, and feast reservations to yulefeast2011@gmail.com. Cheques can be made out to "ASCA - Barony of Borealis" and sent to:

Yule Feast 2011
c/o Lisa Lamb
19 Mathias Avenue
Spruce Grove, AB T7X 2S3

Remember the only reservation is a paid reservation!

Interested in Russian garb for the day? Look at these websites for help!

<http://www.strangelove.net/~kieser/Russia/easy/breezy.html>
<http://www.strangelove.net/~kieser/Russia/patterns.html>
<http://russiansig.wikispaces.com/Male+Clothing>
<http://russiansig.wikispaces.com/Female+Clothing>

12th Night

January 14, 2012
Montegarde ~ Calgary, AB

Autocrat: Keira of the Shadows

Their Excellencies of Montegarde, Baron Beothuk of the Beothuk and Baroness Wilma the Still wish to invite the populace of Avacal and the Known World to the 32nd 12th Night Celebrations

In addition to the Rapier and Arts & Science Champions much fun is to be had in armoured combat, archery and other activities.

Archery will be offsite at the Calgary Archery Club (4855 - 47 st S.E., Calgary AB, T2B 3S5)

Site Fee: Adults \$15.00, Youth (12-18) \$6.00,
Children under 12 free.

Subject to the \$5.00 Non-member Surcharge.

Feast Fee: Adults \$10.00, Youth (12-18) \$5.00,
Children under 12A free.
Family cap (2 parents & children both site & feast) \$60.00

To pre-register for the event and feast please visit the online pre-registration form

Make cheques payable to "SCA Inc. Barony of Montegarde" and can be sent to Leaha Maisonneuve 204 Dovercrest Place SE Calgary, AB

If you are paying by cheque please include all the information noted in pre-registration form.

Feast Menu:

Appetizer: French Onion Soup & bread with jams
Main Courses: Roast Pork Loin, Grilled Mixed Vegetables, Stuffed baked potato
Dessert: Fruit & cream

Site Info:

Name: Bowness Sportsplex
7904 43rd Avenue NW
Calgary, AB T3B 4P9

Upcoming Events February ~ May



Avacal February Investiture

February 25, 2012
TBA



Winter War

March 10, 2012
Barony of Borealis



Spring Thua

April 20, 2012
Barony of Montengarde



Silver Arrow

April 28, 2012
Shire of Bitter End



Beltaine

May 5, 2012
Barony of Montengarde



Dance Practice

Most Sundays
when there's a fighter practice

12:00 Noon to 1:00 p.m.
\$3.00 Fee

Alberta Avenue Community Centre
9218 - 118 Ave
Edmonton

Culinary Guild



There is a Culinary Guild in the Barony of Borealis! They meet about once a month at one of the members home. If you are interested in food, then this is a group that might interest you.

Please see our Chatelaine and she would be happy to introduce you to one of the members in this group.

War and Seige

Dear of Our Lord 1485

Alls Fair in Love
and War!

War of the Roses
Treason or Politics?

Must Haves
For the War Field

Local Merchants

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Lady Raven Winterheart and Lady Victory Dragoner

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E-Mail: lord_peregrine_falconer@yahoo.com

Local Avacal Yearly Events

June

➔ **Silverwolf - Borealis**
Avacal Coronet - TBA
 Tir Righ / Avacal War - TBA

July

Antir July Coronation - TBA
 An Tir / WestWar - TBA
 Dragonslayer - Montengarde

August

Quad War - Marsden Sask
Avacal August Investiture - TBA

September

Antir September Crown - TBA
 Harvest Feast - Bitter End
 Theme Feast - Rhuddglyn
 Vinfest - Vinjar

October

Autumn Celebration - Cold Keep
 MW Anniversary - Myrgan Wood
 Skull & Crossbones Tavern -
 Border Gate

Nov

Avacal Coronet - TBA

December

➔ **Yule Feast - Borealis**

January

12th Night - Montengarde
AnTir 12th Night - TBA
AnTir Coronation - TBA

February

AnTir A&S Championship - TBA
Avacal February Investiture - TBA

March

Feast of the Evergreens - Bordergate

April

Spring Champions - TBA
 Silver Arrow - Bitter End
 Beltaine - Montengarde
 ➔ **Winter War - Borealis**



May

Cold Keep Champions - Cold Keep
Antir May Crown TBA

Check the Avacal Events page (www.avacal-sca.org/events) or the Antir Events page (www.antir.sca.org/upcoming) for a more up to date listing. Some events may be moved to a different month due to unavailability of site or conflicts.

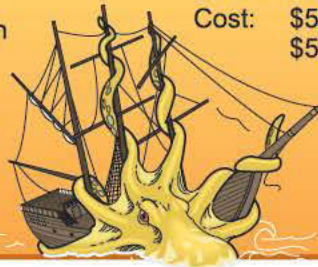
Monthly Calendar

Tavern Night

1st Wed of Month - 7:30 to 10:30
 Alberta Ave Community Centre
 9218- 118 Ave - Cost \$3.00

Arts & Sciences Night

2nd Monday of the Month
 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.
 Vik & Inga's - 463-4445
 1235 - 72 St. Cost: Free



Fighter Practice

All other Wednesdays
 7:30 to 10:00 p.m.
 Sunday's - 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
 Alberta Ave Community Centre
 9218 - 118 Ave
 Cost: \$5.00 Members
 \$5.50 Non members

Dance Practice

Every Sunday that there's a fighter practice
 Noon to 1:00 p.m.
 Cost: Free if your staying for fighter practice - \$3.00 Otherwise.

Archery Practice

Most Tuesdays
 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
 Capital Region Archery Club
 7404 Meridian Street, Sherwood Park
 Cost: \$5.00 Lane Fee

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