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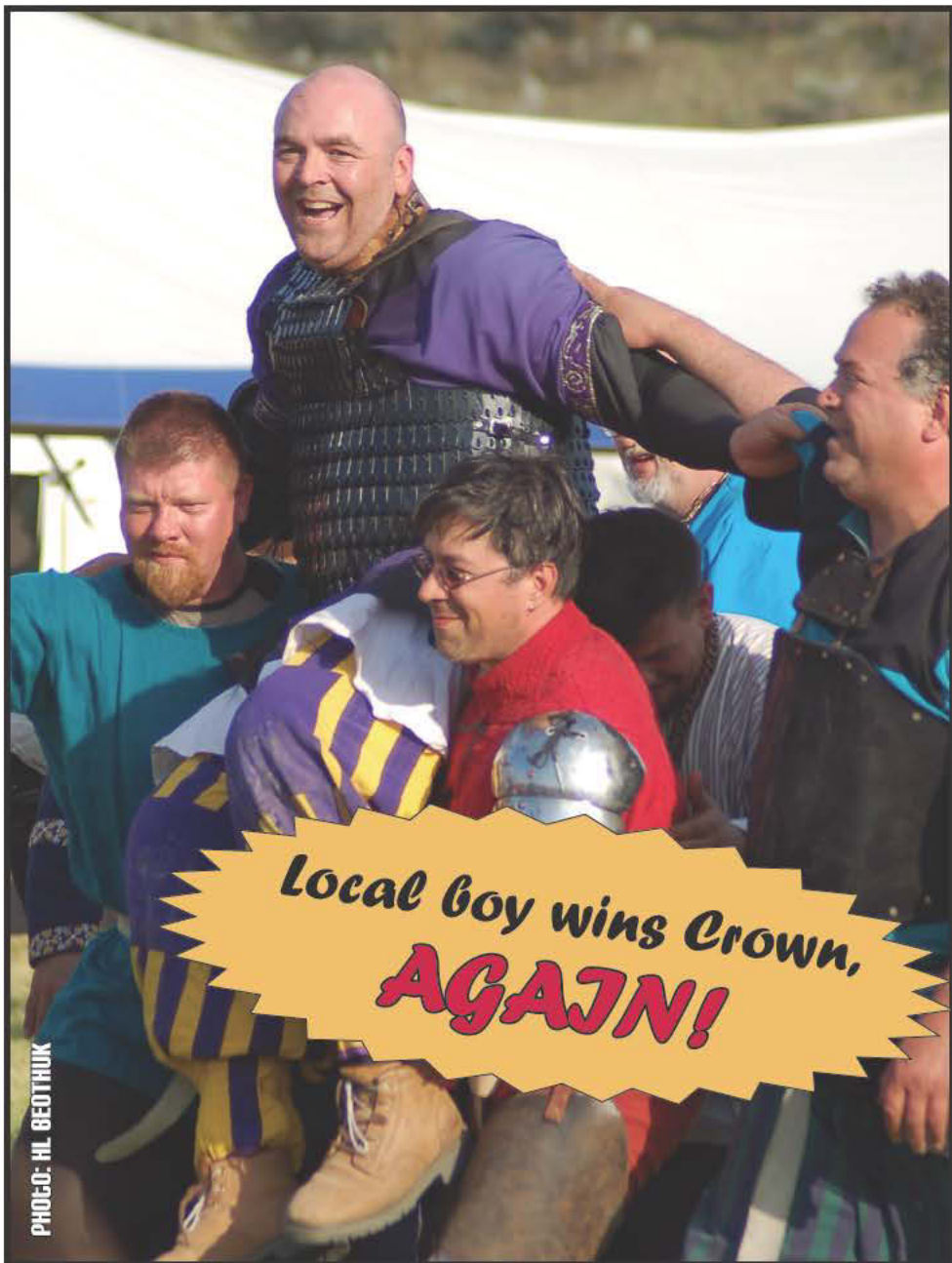


PHOTO: HL BEOTHUK

Local boy wins Crown, **AGAIN!**



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May Crown

Tournament of An Tir

May 18 to 20, 2012

May Crown is the Tournament where heavy fighters compete to be crowned the next King of An Tir. This year it was held at the Okanogan County Fairgrounds in Okanogan Washington. The Barony of Dregate hosted the event that saw people come from far and wide to compete.

Many people from our Barony made the 14 hour trip down to the event. In addition to the Crown Tournament to become the next King of An Tir, there was also a Squires' Tournament, Rapier Tournament, and competitions in Archery, Equestrian and Arts & Sciences.



PHOTO: HL BEOTHUK

There were about 15 Borealis who made the trip down, with 6 heavies entering the crown tournament and 4 of our rapier fighters entering the Rapier Cadets Tournament. In the gentler arts, Sadb, Adelheid and Anabel went down and were very involved with the Arts & Sciences area.

Our current Borealis Rapier Champion, Ansgar along with Mika, our Seneshal, and Robert of Clan Gunn accompanied Baron Reme down with all participating in the Rapier portion. Out of about 71 fighters

entered, our Baron was one of the 15 fighters invited to participate in the Don's Invitational Tournament that followed the main tournament.

Sir Vic, along with Sir Einar, Fenrick, Sir Aiden, Sir Albrecht and Eric Shaverson made the trek down to represent Borealis in the Heavy division. All entered the crown tournament with Sir Vic and Sir Einar in the final battle of the tournament to become the next King of An Tir. Sir Albrecht also made a good showing with being 3rd, so our guys did a pretty good showcasing the skills and knowledge that our Borealis fighters possess.

Baron Reme made it a point to carry our Baronial Standard to the corner of our heavy fighters and waving it, letting all know that there was a borealis fighter in the eric.

The weather co-operated, with it being nice and warm, some would describe it as really good fighting weather.

Another stand out quality was that this crown was one of the cleanest fighting contests ever seen, with good solid fighting by all who entered.



PHOTO: HL BEOTHUK

Congratulations to Sir Vic, our new KING OF AN TIR!

New Prince and Princess from Borealis!

This year's June Coronet Tourney was hosted by the Barony of Montengarde and was held in Brooks, which is just south of Calgary. The weather was hot and muggy from all of the thunder showers that plagued the day.

With it being so close, there were quite a few of the populace of Borealis who made the trip down to enter the different tourneys, partake in other activities that were part of the event, or just went to cheer on our fighters in all of the disciplines.

In the heavy tournament, there was a small list of fourteen. Sir Wernar was the one knight who entered the tournament and ended up going against a whole mob of unbelted competitors who were vying for the right to wear the crown and become the next prince of Avacal.

Our guys had a very good showing with all the semi final fighters being from Borealis. Eric Shavarrson was the by fight, with Fenrick and Sir Winar in the final fight for the crown.

Many people commented that the gods must be pleased with the outcome of the tournament as right after the new Tanist and Tanista had been invested, the heavens put on a show for all to see. In one corner of the sky, there was thunder and lighting, another was showcasing the moon and sparkling stars, while the other two sides sported a shining sun, and a colourful rainbow. If the heavens are any indication, it will be a very interesting reign.

Congratulations to Sir Wernar and Sina, our new Tanist and Tanista of Avacal



Championship Results

June 16, 2012

These are our new Champions
of Borealis for 2012 - 2013

Arts and Science ~ HL Galena
Archery ~ Somerled of Ballindore
Heavy ~ Eric Shavarrson
Rapier ~ Tobias



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
(Grande Prairie) (Shire)



vinjar.antir.sca.org/





June Coronet 2012: An 'Inspiring' Bards Tale

by L.Cassia Machiavelli

The tournament was fierce and I watched my consort fight valorously until at the last stood himself and one other. A knight he faced, a squire was he and the best of three would decide. With one round a draw, It was in that last and final round that I embraced my new tanista & tanist; then at once my fighter as we celebrated both of their glory and nobility on the field that day.

When the heat of the day was beginning to fade after great gales of wind had risen and whisked away many encampments, tents, merchants and chairs; court found us a quiet moment in the most peculiar weather to welcome a cousin from Aquaterra, Baron Steinolf Ketilsson who had come on a quest to face 7 knights of Avacal. To which; in disguise as the 'Dreaded Bi-Fighter' he faced several that very day.

Court ended and the excitement of the day was done, now the evening began with laughter and soon after music rose like the flames from a few encampments. Many crowded under the safety of great comfort and warmth provided by a good man named Varrus. His excitement to have folks sing and keep warm by his fire was a great joy to all who shared in his company and shelter from the rain that only drizzled its threats.

The revelry lasted late into the evening and into the dawn, when finally the sun crested only business and packing was left. Soon there would be no trace of the tournaments fought here, no flag from the erik left behind but perhaps a pearl from a ladies gown might be found amongst the fire wood bundle or in the grassy space where once a throne sat and a loyal populous bowed.

Until next our paths meet, Wassail to thee.

~L. Cassia M.



Mark it on your Calendar!

Our cousins down in Lacombe have again put out the call for people to help them with the Lacombe Days Medieval Open House Demo.

Lacombe Days will be running on the weekend of July 21, 2012.

They are looking for volunteers in helping to organize;

1. Fighters - Heavy and Rapier Sca and other groups
2. Merchants and Art & Science displays,
3. Music, bards (was definatly something that was missed last year)
4. Canteen

The parade float will be worked on seperatly, and there will be posts with information to follow as it becomes available.



If you can help them spread the word about the SCA, then mark it on your calendar!

Leather Workshop offered.

Greetings Lords and Ladies,

If there is anyone in the Barony that requires a new leather belt, or pouch, or coin purse, armour, shields, or anything really made from leather - I am willing to put together a workshop to assist you in creating a masterpiece.

I have all the tools required, and the skills to assist you in creating the exact piece you desire. If the need and interest is evident, I can set up a workshop at my home for anyone to come and work on their projects.

As far as cost, the leather is the only cost...I can purchase the leather and charge back to you, as long as I know what you need, or you can purchase it at Tandy Leather in Edmonton at 178 St.

Generally speaking, a belt will be ten dollars, plus a buckle of your choice.

Please let me know and after Quad Wars, we can begin.

YIS,

Donald of St. Andrews



Working towards a Kingdom of Avacal

In the last few months there has been a push to make the Principality of Avacal into a kingdom of our own. With this in mind, there have been a few postings on the various sites that the different groups have about this topic.

Saab posted that only 26% of members in our Barony have completed the Kingdom poll.

As Ogedei Khan stated in his posting, they want to hear from everyone, not just those members who have a paid membership in the SCA.

Please see the more in-depth posting below by Sir Kirk Einarsson, our Seneschal of the Principality of Avacal

My Friends and Fellow Avacalians

The path we have before us needs your input. We need to hear your voice now. Many of you once asked me what you could do for Avacal to become a Kingdom. What we need now is for all of you and your friends to go to the link below and fill out the polling form. Please do this right away, even if you have reservations about what the future will bring. We need to hear from all of you now.

Some have mentioned that they have not been around long enough to have an opinion. I can attest that whether you started playing this game of ours yesterday, today or decades ago, your opinion matters, your voice matters. It is critical that we hear from everyone.

Some have had concerns about the anonymity of the polling, please rest assured that your answers or information CANNOT be shared with anyone from An Tir or Avacal. There is more "weight" associated with those that have paid for a membership so to confirm this and accurately balance the result of the polling the information regarding Memberships and non Members is required. All that we have access to are the physical results of the poll questions, nothing more. We need to hear from you now.

I implore you to let your voice be heard, talk to everyone you know and get the poll completed and sent in. There are roughly over 800 people playing at some level with or without memberships in Avacal and so for only 300 voices are being heard. Be a part of this and directly influence what is one of the most important decisions we need to make together.

Go to: <http://www1.avacal-sca.org/kingdom-of-avacal/preliminary-polling> and take part in the Avacal's Kingdom Poll.

*Yours Truly
Kirk Einarsson
Avacal Seneschal*





Newcomers Corner

On Friday June 29, there were some interesting posts up on our Borealis Yahoo groups account. Someone who had recently joined posted his willingness to help anyone to either make or learn how to craft a traditional longbow or a variety of leather goods. He also posted a little blurb about himself and his wife, and what their other interests were. I had contacted him to see if I could put the posts about the bows, leather goods and his small story about him and his family in the Aurora. He had given me permission to include his postings in our newsletter and about a half hour later, I received this expanded story (see below). I'm sure that Donald, Lady Kimberely, Alexander, Cecilia and Mikela will be an awesome addition to our Barony. WELCOME!

My name is Donald of St. Andrews. My wife Lady Kimberely and I took a serious interest in all things medieval approximately six years ago. Initially interested in fighting in Medieval armour, I purchased a good authentic harness online and have been fighting off and on and learning live steel ever since. My wife took an interest in candle making, sewing, dancing and cooking. My interests lay in more the bowmaking, brewing, blacksmithing, leathermaking routes. We have been married 22 years, and have three children, Alexander 18, Cecilia 16, and Mikela 14. They share a strong interest in our hobby, and join us at most events.

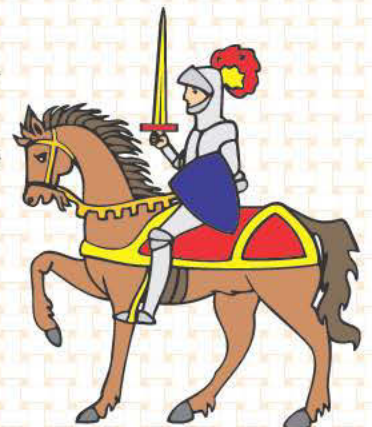
We were introduced formally to the SCA last year at Quad Wars and fell in love with the venue. We loved how friendly everyone was. We watched the war, and enjoyed the court. I especially enjoyed the GROTTA...although I will refrain from the mixed drinks in the future...oh dear. I love music, and I bring my drums and whistles to every event I attend. This year I will be fighting IN the war as a crossbowman! I am excited to be involved so soon.

We have several medieval tents, and our gear rivals that of any household...this is a lifelong hobby for us, and we expect to retire traveling all the medieval fairs in the future. We prefer to be very involved and love to teach and learn. We will try to sponsor many workshops in bow making, fletching, leather making, sewing, embroidery, chandlery, blacksmithing, book binding, and anything else we can think of in the year to come. We love to socialize and look forward to hosting everyone who is so like minded, as we love to eat fine foods and consume large quantities of my home-made beers, wines, and meads!

From a mundane perspective, I am employed as a Health and Safety Advisor with FrontierMedex, as well as an intinerant, ordained Bishop. My wife is a cleaner part-time. My Son is a musician (God help me), and my daughters are still in high school.

In closing, my hope is to one day have a travelling Chapel at events where I can be of service to those in need, as well as have a bit of a comedic show for guests. In Medieval Europe, where I focus most of my studies, the church, although corrupt, was of paramount importance, and I feel is a neglected field of study within all medieval groups...I hope to one day be a pioneer i making it have an entertaining and fascinating comeback...maybe.

Slainte,
Donald of St. Andrews





The Womans Emergency Shelter

Over the last few years we have seen our little Barony supporting charities in Edmonton. We have done a drive to collect coats for kids at one Yule feast, and collected food for Edmonton's food bank at a couple of Yules and also during one of the Fool's Tavern that is held in April.

June is six months from Christmas, when people make it a point to donate either goods or their time to many of the worthwhile causes that helps others in our community.

With June's Tavern being hosted by two of our female fighters, one from the Heavy Combat area ~ Arwyn, (known as Asmira for the evening), and the other from our Rapier Fighters ~ Nasheeta, it seemed like a good time to do a drive for the Woman's Emergency Shelter. Sometimes it's the little things in life that makes a difference to someone else.

I had asked at May's tavern for those who wished to participate that they bring hygiene products for the ladies who have to make use of this service.

All that I can say is **WOW!**

A bunch of little somethings really do add up to something big. Perigrine and Victory started everything rolling with a Safeway grocery bag full of Toothbrushes and Toothpaste in the middle of May.

A lot of people participated on tavern night, with some

people bringing a multiple of items. A couple of people even brought a travelling kit stuffed full with a variety of items.

Someone also started a container to take any cash that people wished to donate. This generated \$24.00 for the shelter. This was used to buy diapers for the shelter as they are not set up at the office to take any monetary donations.

The staff from the Ladies Emergency Shelter was ecstatic with the members' donations when I dropped everything off to them on Friday morning. Everything that was donated resulted in the shelter not having to purchase the items for the ladies use.

I asked what else they could use and was surprised at the answer. One of the main items (that I found out about when I talked to them to arrange for dropping the donations off) that they use are diapers for the larger infant, a size 5. The other two items that they said that they could not keep in stock are two things for the kitchen - a can opener and a toaster. Who would of thought that!

If we decide to do this again next year, maybe our members can keep their eye's open in the coming months and they might bump into some deals (Like 90% off sales) for these two items.

Some of the other ideas that people suggested at June's Tavern would be to purchase gift cards from a store like Walmart, and purchase transit tickets for the ladies to be able to get around to jobs, child care and appointments. That's something that I never thought of.

Thank You



for supporting WIN House





June's Tavern Report



June 6, 2012
Start time: 7:45 p.m.
Finish time: 8:25 p.m.

Newcomers: 2



Reports

Baron/Baroness: There is much to celebrate at May Crown. We want to congratulate Vik Vikingsson, Our new Crown Prince, Sir Einar 2nd place and Sir Albrech, good showing. At June Coronet we have a new Tanis and Tanista, Sir Wernar and Mistress Sina. There is a poll regarding Avacal becoming a kingdom, please go online and fill out the poll the more the better. You do not need to be a member. We do encourage you to become a member for the tournaments, wars, etc. Their highnesses have said that there were not that many recommendations for awards and would like to see more recommendations come forth. See the Baron /Baroness or the web site on how to make any recommendations. Silverwolf is 15-17 Jun and we will be picking new champions for our Barony.

Seneschal: Barony is good, Adelheid our deputy will be running the meeting tonight. Congratulations to their excellencies, Sir Wernar and Mistress Sina. August tavern is on 1 Aug, due to Quad War we need a motion to move the tavern to 8 Aug. Robert motioned to move August Tavern to 8 Aug after Quad War and Patrick seconded the motion. Motion passed. Happy Birthday to Ansgar our Rapier Champion. We need someone to run the August tavern, if you are interested please see the Seneschal. Remember to go to the Avacal site regarding the kingdom poll.

Chatelaine: We have a few new people here tonight, everyone, please make them welcome. The City of Edmonton would like us to do a Demo on July 25 from 1-5, if you are interested please see Kseniia.

Exchequer: We have a healthy bank balance.

Master of Stables: We are doing good, keep coming out to practices as we have lots of events this summer.

Youth Combat: We are still proceeding at a good pace and going very well.

Master of Fence: We have a few more new people that have come out and 2 new people authorized. Tobias was asked to be deputy of fence and he accepted. Start

time for practiceS will be 7pm on Wednesdays. Vic motioned that practices start at 7 pm on Wednesdays and Tobias seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Master of Arrows: The new location cost will remain at \$5.00 for the remainder of the year. A backup person is needed in case Somerled can't make it out. If anyone is interested please contact Somerled and let him know. There is new loaner equipment and arrows available for Silverwolf.

Minister of Art & Science/Bardic: Our new A&S champions will be picked at Silverwolf we encourage everyone to come out. We still require judges, if you are interested please contact Corin. We had a couple of classes on research and presentations, however, no one showed any interest. If anyone decides that they are interested in brewing please keep track of everything from the beginning in case you want to enter your item. If you want to know more contact Corin.

Herald: Nothing new to report

Chronicler: Copies of past and this month's newsletter is available at the back. Still looking for input for special newsletters. Anyone that is going to any events take pictures and do a little write up for Yamadi. We still need articles for the newsletters, if no one will write anything up Yamadi will make some up.

Gold Key: We need a hand for Silverwolf. We can get the gold key to Silverwolf, however, we need someone to make sure the garb is handed out and returned.

Chirurgion: We have a lady who is currently in training.

Scribe: We have no one and if interested please see the Seneschal.

Family Activities Coordinator: We require some sort of sun shade that is an easy set-up, please see Adelheid.

Web Minister: Our site info is out of date. The new web site will have a lot of menus, easy to navigate. We need new content and new pictures. Building a whole new image for our site.

Calendar of Events

June 8-10 Tir Righ Coronet Tourney,
June 15-17 Silverwolf,
June 22-24 Avacal-Tir Righ War.

June's Tavern Report continued...

Old Business

We have 116 reserved for the Silverwolf feast and 150 on site at this point. There will be French and Italian food courtesy of our culinary guild in honour of our Baron and Baroness. We still need volunteers for gate see Adelheid. Our current champions are Ksensia, Ansgar, Ethelstan and Hjalti. We have 5 full entries for the A&S competition.

New Business

Tobias has learned of a Rapier challenge by Bjar of Bitterend for this Friday 8 June at the St. Francis Elementary School in Red Deer. We need as many Rapiers as possible out for around 7pm.



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!

WE NEED HOSTS

Crafting a Traditional Long Bow

I wish to ask if there are any interested in making their own longbow?

Traditionally, the English longbow was made from YEW. I have a source for staves of Yew that range from \$100-\$150 A STAVE. If anyone would like to be involved in this workshop, please let me know, and after Quad Wars I can put it all together and set up a date if the interest is in the Barony...the workshop would likely take place at my home in Sherwood Park, or at any venue that would be more central to the liking of the populace.

Here's hopig for a big response!

YIS
Donald of St.Andrews

Hafla!



A Middle Eastern Party!

June's Tavern was a Hafla! (Middle Eastern party) and it was hosted by Amira (better known as Arwyn) and Nasheeta. The evening saw a group of close to 100 people gather to share in the evening.

It was a good night that saw a bunch of newcomers come out to see what the SCA is all about.

Someone sweet talked Her Ladyship Issabella to come out and dance for us. That ment that Sir Aiden came out to provide the music on the drums for her and others to dance too. Amira proved that you don't need a formal drum to beat, anything will do as long as you can make some noise by using a plastic tub as her drum to accompany Aiden in the acustic department. At one point in the evening there was a conga line of Belly Dancers lead by Nasheeta weaving their way around the hall, trying to entice others to come and join in on the fun.

June's tavern was also a drive for the Womans Emergency Shelter, (See the article under the Borealis Snow Balls column) where a quantity of personal hygiene products were collected for that charity.

It was a pretty cool night with quite a few members getting into the spirit of the evening and opting to step away from their normal persona and adopt a middle eastern one for the evening.

Amira did all of the cooking for the evening and ended up not taking anything home with her except dirty pots.

Menu for the evening:

Madira - minted chicken with yogurt, spices (coriander, cumin, cinnamon)

Isfanakh Mutajjan - spinach and garlic and spices

Buran - Eggplant and lamb meatballs

Hulwa - nut and sugar dessert



**Deadline for content submission
for the August 2012 issue of the
Aurora will be
Monday July 23, 2012**





Arts & Sciences Night

Junes A&S saw a the numbers in attendance grow to 16, with many being new faces. Many hands helped out with crafting 12 sets of a mideaval game for the AT Wars Arts and Sciences War point challenge. Lady Coryn also worked on her entry for the challenge. She crafted various hats and headgear in different styles. The one that she worked on this night was a Lirippe. She was able to finish it during the evening, and then demonstrated the various ways that people in period would of worn the one hat. I would of not thought of at least 4 of them!



Practices for the Rapiers have been going well with a steady 16 participates coming out to the weekly practices.

The month of June saw two more newcomers actively joining in the practices, and another 4 coming out during the last Wednesday night practice to see what we are all about. Hopefully they'll join in the practices during the month of July, and our numbers will continue to grow!



Bards in the Park

On Saturday June 30th, 2012 there was a gathering of the Borealis Bards (and friends) who were planning on meeting at the Millwoods Park. The gathering grew to include around 10 souls who came out to enjoy the company of like minded individuals for a afternoon/evening of song, story telling and what ever else anyone wanted to contribute to the general merriment of everyone who came out.

Do you like to sing? How about hum, draw, doodle, paint, dance, play an instrument, make noise on an instrument, hoola-hoop or just hang out and have fun? Then this could be a group that you would like to join!



Archery News

The CRAC's new location (located at 5618 - 76 Ave in Edmonton) is up and running.

Somerled was able to get the rate for our drop-in archers reduced back down to the \$5.00 fee that it was at the previous location. This will be in effect until the end of this year.

Somerled is also looking for someone to open the lane when he is unable to do so due to work issues. Anyone who would be able to help out is asked to contact him either at Tavern, at a practice, or e-mail him.

If you wish to become a CRAC membership, let him know and he will retrieve you a form. Being a CRAC member allows you 24/7 access to the range.



Mediaeval Dance!

For the summer months, the group will be taking a break from practice at our practice hall, but if the weather is good, Cath might hold the odd practice outside at the practice hall or at her home.

If you want more information, or to be put on the list about information about when they will be meeting, please talk to Cath at our Tavern.





Festival of Trees 2012

By Yamadi Blackeye



With this years over all theme for the Festival of Trees is

"PEPPERMINT TWIST"

it is thought that we will go with a colour scheme this year, using RED and WHITE as the main colours for the ornaments. This will allow us to put the ornaments in lines of red and white, swirling up to the top of the tree, making the tree into one big Peppermint Candy.

We will need someone, or a group of people to take on the task of creating the one of a kind tree skirt that would go along with the theme of the tree. Is there anyone out there who would like to take this component on?

Some of our crafters who are interested in creating ornaments for our tree have gently been nudging me to keep with our overall theme of head wear throughout history, and not make it a mish mash of a bunch of different ornaments like horses and footwear and other

stuff. What do people think of doing the headwear in a variety of different materials to make our tree interesting? We could put some different styles of helms on banners using silk painting. Just a thought. Tell me what you think.

With more than 30,000 visitors to the Festival of Trees, we are sure to let people know that our club is out there.

This year all money raised by the Festival through auctioning off the trees and the other various things that go on during the event will be used to help purchase a variety of equipment for the E. Garner King Critical Care Unit and the Burn Treatment Unit at the U of A Hospital. This equipment will help with infection control, communication between the different staff members, and early patient rehabilitation and mobilization.

The festival is open to the public from Thursday November 29 to Sunday December 2, 2012. That means that we will be on site at the Shaw Conference Centre decorating the tree on Monday November 26th, 2012.



I am in need of someone from the Heavy community to write a small monthly column to let everyone know how your area of interest is going.

It does not have to be long, just a couple of short paragraphs.

This would also let newcomers know that there is a heavy fighter community in the Barony of Borealis, and they can come and check out a practice to find out more about it!



Youth Combat News

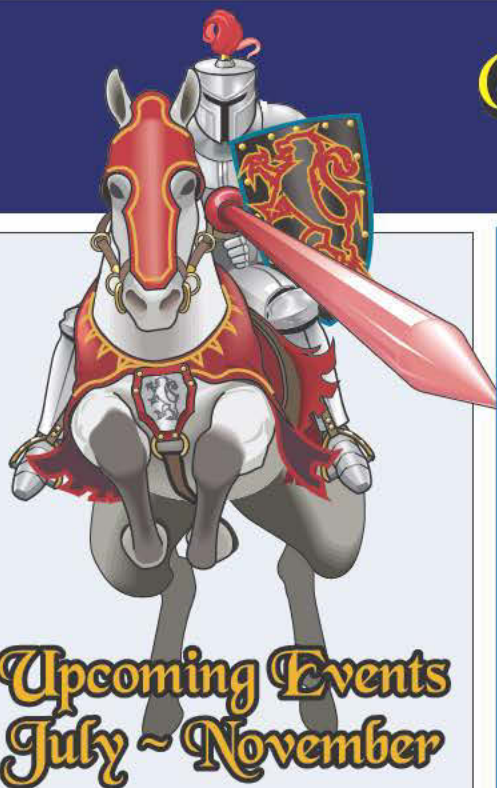
We are quite short of loaner armour.

If you are bringing new fighters out, please let Peregrine know in advance so we can try to suit up everyone.

Any donations of outgrown items, especially hockey helmets (with solid back and sides), would really be appreciated.



Upcoming Events



Upcoming Events July ~ November



An Tir / West War
July 7, 2012
Gold Beach, OR



An Tir July Coronation
July 21, 2012
Three Mountains, OR



Quad War
August 2 - 6, 2012
Marsden, Sask



Sergeant's Trials
August 17 - 18, 2012
Marsden, Sask



Harvest Feast
September 8, 2012
Red Deer, AB



Vinfest
September 22, 2012
Grande Prairie, AB



**Myrgan Wood
Anniversary**
October 6, 2012
Sask, SK, AB



A Night of Byzantium
October 20, 2012
Medicine Hat, AB



Samhain
November 3, 2012
Calgary, AB, AB



An Tir / West War **July 4, to July 8, 2012**

Autocrat: Elsbeth Cameron device7463OP

Come once again to the beautiful coastlands and the epic war between the mighty Kingdoms of the West and AnTir. There will be battles, both heavy and rapier. There will be Arts and Sciences, and there will be fine merchants.

Visit the war website at;

<http://reannagteinepottery.goods.officelive.com/WestAntir/WestAnTirWarHome.htm>

and find the current war on Facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/events/192138757530878/>.

Preregistration and Merchant forms available online.

Site Info:

Name: Lazy J Moore Ranch
96029 Euchre Creek Rd.
Gold Beach, OR 97444

Directions to Site:

North: Make your best way to Port Orford Oregon. Head south from Port Orford on Hwy 101 approx 16 miles. Last milepost seen is 316. You turn left on to Ophir road just before you would reach milepost 317. Then turn left onto Euchre Creek road. Follow road to site, approx 1 mile.

South: Make your best way to Gold Beach Oregon. Head north out of Gold Beach on Hwy 101 for approx 11 miles to milepost 317. Turn right on to Ophir road. Turn left onto Euchre Creek road. Follow road to site, approx 1 mile.



Avacal's Quad War Investiture
Principality of Avacal

New Quad War web site

<http://quadwar.avacal-sca.org/>

This is the ONLY website for Quad War, so this is the ONLY place to get all the information you need.

Have any questions? You can email the co-ordinator of the activity you are curious about, or email Kseniia at quadwarweb@avacal-sca.org.

Dragonslayer/Hidden Treasures



July 06, 2012 to July 08, 2012

Montengarde ~ Calgary, AB

Autocrat: Viscountess Morrigan

Their Excellencies Beothuk of the Beothuks and Wilma the Still invite you join the Barony of Montengarde to their fun summer camping event.

Our Heavy and Archery Championships will be held, as well as numerous other activities including the popular Friday night shoot, a Mongolian- themed Hidden Treasures shoot, rapier, thrown weapons, children's events, a feast among the forest and a bardic fire Saturday evening. Merchants are welcome to set up their tents and tables along the path to the clubhouse.

A roast beef supper will be held on Saturday night by the Calgary Archers Club. The **cost of the feast is \$15.00**, and can be prepaid to Brian at the Calgary Archery Center, 4855 47th Street SE. Contact him at 403-255-6830 with any questions. July 4th is the last day to reserve for feast.

This year at Dragonslayer, we will be having a Hafla on Saturday night! What is a Hafla, you ask. It is a middle eastern party full of dancing, drumming, visiting and merriment! Join us on Saturday night under the Baronial pavillon! If you have any tent hangings, etc, that you would like to bring, we can decorate the pavillon to give it a very middle eastern feel! Any donations of snack food or drink would be GREATLY appreciated!! Think finger type foods, Nuts, olives, dried fruit, etc!!

Weekend Program

Friday July 6

5:00 pm Site Opens
After Dark Night Shoot

Saturday July 7

9 am to 12 pm Dragonblinder (Archery) Championship
Tourney
9 am to 6 pm A&S display/contest open
10 am to 6 pm Hidden Treasures tournament open

12 pm to 1:30 pm Rapier tournament
Children's Combat will occur subject to marshal availability
2 pm Children's activities
3 pm to 6 pm Dragonslayer (Heavy Fighter) Championship
Tourney
7 pm Feast!
8:30 pm Court!
After Court Bardic Circle and Hafla!!!

Sunday July 8

2 pm Site closed

Event Steward: Viscountess Morrigan daytime phone 403.355.4382, Evening 403.275.0338 email jude_harrison@hotmail.com

Site Info:

Calgary Archer's Club / Clearwater Brook Camp
Highway 8, East of Calgary (directions below)
Site opens at noon Friday, and closes 2:00pm Sunday.
No hookups for Trailers - Trailers are to be parked in the parking lot - vehicles must unload at the parking lot and then be moved to the Clearwater Brook Camp for overnight or weekend parking - follow the signs!
Stores and restaurants are nearby

Site fee: \$15 (12 and under free)

Non-member surcharge: \$5

Site Info:

Name: Calgary Archer's Club / Clearwater Tipi Park
Highway 8, East of Calgary
Calgary, AB

Directions to Site:

Best route to Alberta Highway 2 (Deerfoot Trail in Calgary) Take Deerfoot to Glenmore Trail W. Glenmore turns into Highway 8 at Sarcee Trail. * Follow Highway 8, over Elbow River Bridge. Site is 2nd driveway on the right.

From the East or West: Highway 1 to Sarcee trail S. At the end of Sarcee turn right onto Highway 8 W. Follow directions from * above.

A Note of Interest:



The Shire of Ravenslake and the Thieves of Hearts are presenting a combined event - the Known World Academy of Rapier and the Known World Costuming Symposium. This will be happening near Chicago, Illinois from November 9-11, 2012. If your interested, here is a link to their Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/events/211361568961372/?notif_t=event_invite

There will be more information posted at a later date as plans are finalized. There is already many great teachers for Rapier, Cut and Thrust and for Costuming. They are also working on some other activities, such as a trip to the Art Institute of Chicago. It is hoped that everyone will be able to take a look at their collection of period arms and armor and paintings and fiber arts of the period.

Mark it on your
calendars!

QUAD WAR!

August 2, 2012

to

Autust 6, 2012



An Tir July Coronation

July 20, 2012 to July 22, 2012

The Barony of Three Mountains and the Canton of KaldorNess invite you to witness the Coronation of the Royal Heirs and the tournament to choose the next Champion of An Tir.

Gate Fees:

US \$15 for adult SCA members

US \$10 for those 12-17

US \$5 for those 6-11

5 and younger - free

(Non Member Surcharge of US \$5 applies to all adult non-members)

There will be a US \$48 Family Cap (Modern relations only, NMS applies).

Make cheques payable to "Barony of Three Mountains, SCA

Event Staff

Event Steward: Hlutwige Wolfkiller (Lois Hale, 13140 SE Morrison St, Portland OR 97233, 503-282-8274)

Site Info:

Trojan Park

71760 Columbia River Highway

Rainier, OR 97048

Site Opens: Friday July 20 at 1 PM

Site Closes: Sunday July 22 at 3 PM.

Directions to Site:

From North: Take best route to I-5 south. Take exit 36 to merge onto Tennant Way/WA-332 W towards Industrial Areas/US-30. Continue on Lewis & Clark Bridge into Oregon. Merge onto US-30. Turn left at park entrance at milepost 41. Follow SCA signs.

From South: Take best route to I-5 north. Take exit 299B on the left to merge onto I-405 north toward Beaverton/US26 W/City Center; take exit 3 to merge onto US-30 W and St. Helens; take a slight right at NW St. Helens Rd/US-30 and continue to follow US-30 to milepost 41; turn right into park entrance and follow SCA signs.

From Edmonton, AB: approximately 17 hours

NOTE

The following are dates that the hall will not be available for practices.

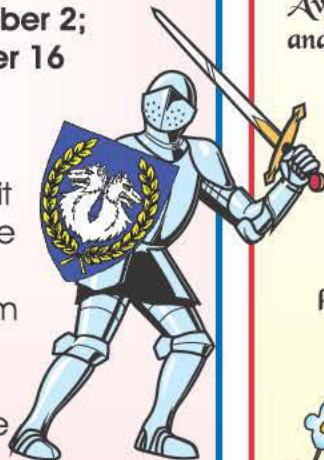
JULY 2012: **July 8**

AUGUST 2012: **August 5**

SEPTEMBER 2012: **September 2;**
September 9; September 16

Time Change

At June's Tavern meeting it was decided that the time for Wednesday night's practice would move from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. start time. It was hoped that this would encourage more participation



Looking for Content



Still hunting after stories and pictures for the special section on our Winter War and another one for our Silver Wolf events.

I am also looking for stories about the last few events that people have gone to -

Avacal Tir Righ War. People were stoked about it this year, and with all the preparations and practices dedicated to War in the weeks leading up to this event, I'm sure there was a bunch of stuff happening at it. I think that there were quite a few who were able to go down for it. Send me in stories please.

The newsletter is a good vehicle to tell and show what we are all about. Not only that, but it acts as a record of what happens in our barony. Let's make it interesting!





Quad War Investiture Principality of Avacal

Cry Havoc, and Let Slip the Dogs of War!!

War has come again to Avacal! This Is Where We Fight!!

The Principality of Avacal invites one and all from the populace of our fair lands and beyond for Quad War. Castle scenarios, field battles and tournaments for both heavy and rapier will run throughout the weekend. If you are not interested in fighting there is also target archery, family activities, equestrian, Arts and Sciences, bardic, JHUA courses and more to keep you busy. If you want to relax there is a Merchants' Row, as well as areas to keep company with friends, old and new.

It is with great pleasure that the Heirs of Avacal shall inherit the Thrones during Their investiture festivities on this fine weekend. The populace is also invited to attend and witness, with Their Highnesses, the selection of the Champion of Swords and Champion of Arrows' successors.

There is no street address for this private site near Marsden, Saskatchewan.

Driving Directions:

From the North, South, West and South West - make your best route to Wainwright, AB. Go East on Hwy 14 (become Hwy 40 at the Saskatchewan border).

Drive 8 Km past and turn North (left) on Artland Road. The site is 4.5 km to the West (left).

From the East and South East - make your best route to Saskatoon SK. Take Hwy 16 to North Battleford. As you cross the bridge, stay to the left on Hwy 40. It will turn West (right) midway through town. Go 5 km West of (past) Marsden, turn North (right) on Artland Road. The site is 4.5 km to the West (left).

Please bring your own drinking water - the local water is not potable.

Site Fees for Quad War:

Children 0 to 13 - Free

Adults (14 and up) - \$25.00

Site fees are a flat rate for the entire weekend. There is no day rate available.

A non-member surcharge of \$5.00 per person will apply for any adult who is not able to produce written proof of a valid SCA membership.

Please make cheques payable to "SCA - Avacal".

Troll hours:

Thursday at Noon until Saturday at 4pm

Monthly Practice Pass Available

Only \$25.00 for the whole month!

Save time and money!

See Shavarrson, our Master of Stables, or Reme, our Baron for more information.

On sale the first practice of each month.



Sergeantry Trials

August 18, 2012

Quad War Site

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/Investiture -
 Marsden Sask

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

Avacal War Practice - Rhuddglyn
 → **Winter War - Borealis**

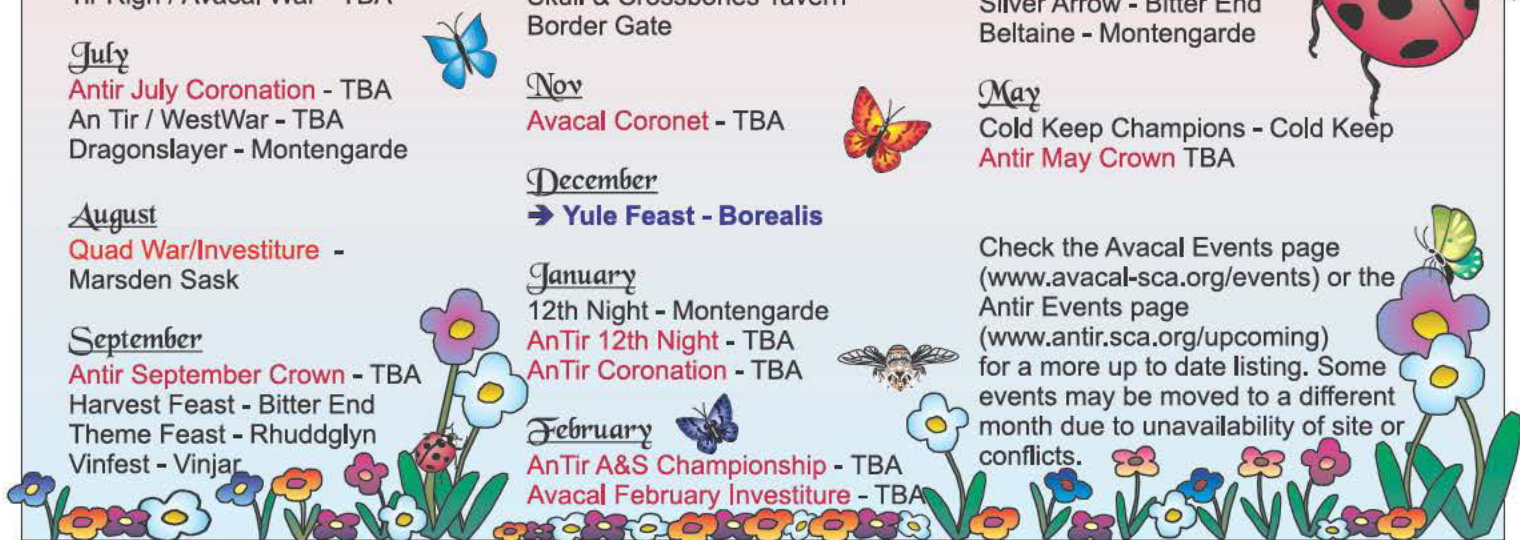
April

Spring Champions - TBA
 Silver Arrow - Bitter End
 Beltaine - Montengarde

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

3rd Monday of the Month
 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.
 Location changes monthly,
 posted on Borealis Yahoo
 account:
 Cost: Free



Fighter Practice

All other Wednesdays
 7:00 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
 5618 - 76 Ave, Edmonton
 Cost:\$5.00 Lane Fee

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