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The Lay of Fenrick

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your hand will bring a ballad
and strain to entertain us
where deeds we all should heed,
to unfold of Fenrick the Old.

when our stalwart spouse was need,
I had to bite the beast that fed,
like Loki's whale he'd under us,
arrow-stayed by the star of the dead.

er aviken Fenrick's fervent
I hope to find his dragon-skin
To start the *Bringer of Tears*
In search of Moustin's round perch

didn't lift the dove to drift
convicted him *Alin's Good Eye* could
"and keep the wrap of current calm,"
and brought aboard the banner numb.

You drive the drakes down the coast,
he carened across the clovered grass
piled upon the grassy stack,
Lost Vikings, less sailing more haking.

The Garden

Thoughts of you dance like petals in my head,
Swirling and twirling, caroused in the breeze,
Whispering sweetness, swaying through the trees;
Hollyhocks, dahlias blossoming red.

Womanly composure, prudence I shod:
With brush from the lilac I sink to my knees,
Engulfed by the lilies, conquered with ease:
Gilded path alterned with roses I tread.

Treacherously ravished by my own mind,
I weep out these woods tearing me away;
With sorrow and heartache this course is lined:
My scythe will slash, huck these lilies to hay;

To sinful fate I am not yet resigned:
Best fallow, garden, awaiting that day.

By Cynewulf's *Walden*

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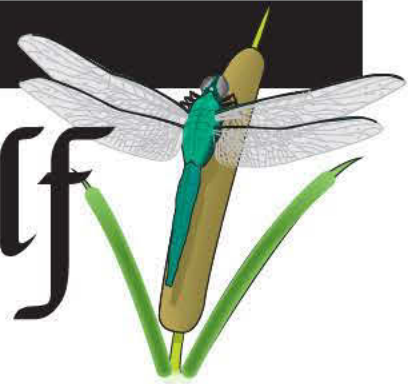


THE AURORA

Special Pull Out Section

Silver Wolf

June 21, 2008



On Saturday June 21, 2008, The Barony of Borealis held a contest of skills to crown their new champions in the Arts and Sciences, Heavy Fighting, Rapier Fighting and Archery area's.

Fenrick and his crew of volunteers put on an event that was well attended with 144 good gentles coming from far and wide to witness the skills of the competitors. Prince Einar, Princess Ifatahyo, Tanist Toryn, the Baroness of Myrgan and the Baron and Baroness of Montengarde where able to attend our



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The Feast is Over!

Wernar taking a much needed break - at the feet of the royals - during court.

championships.

Wernar and his helpers put on a mouth-watering feast consisting of a selection of cheeses and nuts, Onion Bisque, Baked Lime Pepper Chicken, Roasted Vegetables, Prime Rib in a red wine sauce, Herbed Perogies, and a freshly baked hot Apple struddle with warm caramel sauce.

Court followed the feast: there the new champions were invested with their titles, while others in our barony were also recognized with awards.



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Borealis Champions for 2008/2009



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Aiden ap Darren
y Cigfrain
Heavy Champion



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Reme The
Burgundian
Rapier Champion

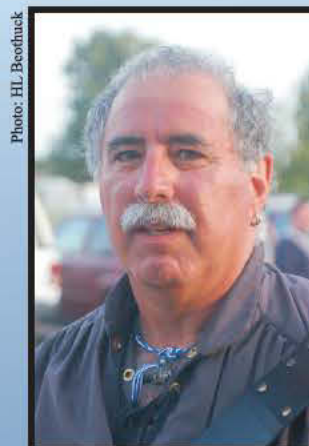


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Mika Machiavelli
Archery Champion



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Dragoslava
Vladis Iasa dock
A&S Champion

Arts and Sciences Compitation

This year the baroney was very fortunate as we had our biggest group who entered into the competition. Both members who have been in our baroney for a while, and also some newcomers who entered for their first time.

Joan the Just, Talyn and Dragoslava each entered into the championship by putting 3 entries into the competition. Dirk the Gentle entered an Ice Cream dessert while our new members Cynewulf and Mercella each entered a song/sonnet.

The topics covered by our entrants were as varied as our membership is, which made the judging that much more difficult. It is great to see all of the skills and knowledge that members of our barony possess.

List of Entrants

Cynewulf Gilphlaeden - Anglo Saxon Style Poem
 Mercilla Woodlea - Petrarchan Sonnet
 Dirk the Gentle - Period Ice Cream

For Championship

Dragoslava - Rus jewelry, 10-13 century
 - 12c Syrian pottery
 - Kievan Rus collar

Joan the Just - Rose Salad
 - Rose Conserve
 - Leeks and Walnuts

Talyn the Skald - Tooled red leather Squires Belt
 - Beeswaxed Drinking Horn
 - Matching tooled belt pouch and archery bracer

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Awards

Not only were the new Champions invested during Court, but we had many of our populace who were recognized with awards. Congratulations to all who received honours!

- AOA Mika
- AOA Aislynn
- AOA Nasheeta
- AOA Ro-Bear
- Griffin's Flame Guillaîne
- Golden Spoon..... Aelfric

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All of the past champions were admitted into The Order of the Silver Wolf. Sybil Daya of Bitter End, along with our own Robert of Clan Gun, received special recognition for all of the work that they each do behind the scenes. They both received the Baroness's Token from Baroness Inga.

Combat Championships



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The Barony was fortunate this year with a number of people fighting in the various competitions. The championships were well attended by both spectators and people participating in the various tournaments.

Although the day was sunny and hot, this did not stop anyone from competing for the honour of being the next champion of Borealis in Sword, Rapier, Archery and Arts & Sciences. The water bearers did an excellent job of making sure everyone remained hydrated.

In the Heavy Fighting areas, a group of 18 to 20 participated with 10 fighting for the championship. The tournament was a Round Robin, with the final match of the day deciding the new Borealis Champion. The winners of the other rounds received prizes. The final match was between Aiden and Hjalti. Aiden lost the match, but because Hjalti was not fighting for the championship, the honour of becoming the new Champion of Sword went to Aiden.

The Rapiers saw a field of 15 fighters compete in their tournament, with three locals fighting for the championship title. A London Masters Tournament was used for the competition where the fighters fought with each different secondary. The winners of these fights went on to fight in the final for the championship. Reme was victorious over James Lockwood in the last fight of the day, winning the championship.



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As with most times that the rapiers get together, pick up fights and training with the attending White Scarfs followed the competition.

In Archery, Ro-Bear ran the competition that saw 27 Archers entered into their tournament. Of the six locals to compete for the title, Mika - a relative newcomer - came away with the honour of being our new Silver Wolf Champion of Arrows.



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Aiden in action