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Please send all submissions to the editor.*

Baronial Calendar

**August**

3 Capilano Hall Dance Veraquilon  
10 Business Veraquilon  
13-14 Dragonwood War  
20-21 Fringe Demo (possible) Veraquilon  
27-28 Summer Turning Tourney Cold Keep

**September**

2-5 Crown Tourney Aquaterra  
7 Capilano Hall Dance Veraquilon

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Canton of Veraquilon Weekly meetings are held on Wednesday evenings at 8:30 pm in the SUB function room at the U of A. All Gentles attending meetings are requested to wear Period Attire (or reasonable attempt thereof) with the exception being Council Meetings.

Canton of Lakelands Fight Practices each Tuesday evening, 7:00pm at Assumption High School. Contact Alfheim 594-1083  
Classes on various topics take place each Wednesday evening, 7:00pm. see calender for topics and locations.

The Blacksheep Guild (fibreworkers guild) meets every Teusday night at 7pm at HL Erna Kajadottor's. Call HL Erna at 449-1593 for more info and directions to her place in Sherwood Park.

The Roger de Cote School of Fence Meets at 6:00 pm on Wednesdays. For more info call HL Roger de Cote at 449-1593.

Canton of VerAquilon Fighter Practice Please do not hesitate to contact Lord Otto Gruber @ 468-6783 for more information.

Dance Practise Group Dance practices are booked for the following dates:

Aug 8, 22	Sept 12, 26
Oct 3, 17, 31	Nov 14, 28
Dec 12	

Contact Mordecai Salzer (Rick Slansky) at 435-2051 for more info.

Guild of the Groaning Board GREETINGS UNTO THE POPULOUS OF BOREALIS. Are you interested in eating fabulous and exotic dishes? Perhaps you are interested in learning how to cook said dishes. Want to attend some small feasts and learn how to run a feast for larger groups? If any of these things appeal to you then the Guild of the Groaning Board is for you. The Guild meets once a month to prepare (and eat) new and exciting dishes that you would expect to find at any feast. For more info and when the next meeting is please contact Leeanna Ryan at 449-6834.

## Announcements:

### House of Erna : Custom Design and Fashion

Erna would like to announce her costuming service. For an appropriate fee, she will construct garb to your specifications. Alterations also a speciality. For discreet inquiries, contact HL Erna at 449-1593

- **Archery Practice**, both War and Target, will be held at the residence of Joan the Just, Sunday afternoons from 1 to 5. Call 986-6623 for information and directions.

- **Bids** to host Winter War/95 will be accepted by the Seneschal/Castelans until SilverWolf.

- **Vacant Baronial positions** must be filled. Seneschal, Master of Stables, List Mistress, Water Bearer. Those interested please send resumes to the Castelans.

- **DANCE PRACTISE** is held in Fine Arts Building Rm 1-29, from 7pm until 10pm. Those wishing more information are requested to contact Mordecai Saltzer at 435-2051.

Practise is held on the following dates:

Aug 8, 22	Sept 12, 26
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- **Baronial Meeting** will be held at Silverwolf Champions Tourney



*Summer's Turning Tourney  
Cold Keep  
August 27-28, 1994*

*Cold Keep welcomes one and all to our Summer's Turning Tourney. Taking place at Dunna h'eoin located just south of the mundane city of Prince George, B.C., this event will be FUN.*

*The tourney will be a round robin challenge tourney with the challengers choosing whether the combat will be a normal field combat, combat over the barrier, counted blows or combat with great weapons. Magnificent prizes will be awarded. Armor inspection will be around noon on Saturday.*

*A wondrous feast is planned for Saturday evening. Following the feast will be dancing, a storytelling competition and of course a large campfire to huddle around.*

*On Sunday, we will play woods battles: capture the flag and kill the captain. This is for heavy and lights. Remember your archery screen and wear appropriate footwear.*

*Camping is on site with outhouses and running water. \$5.00 site fee for those 16 and over. The site fee includes breakfast on Sunday morning. The site is wet. Dogs on leashes only. Friday night soup will be provided for all the weary travellers. Expect cool nights, frost is not unknown at this time of year.*

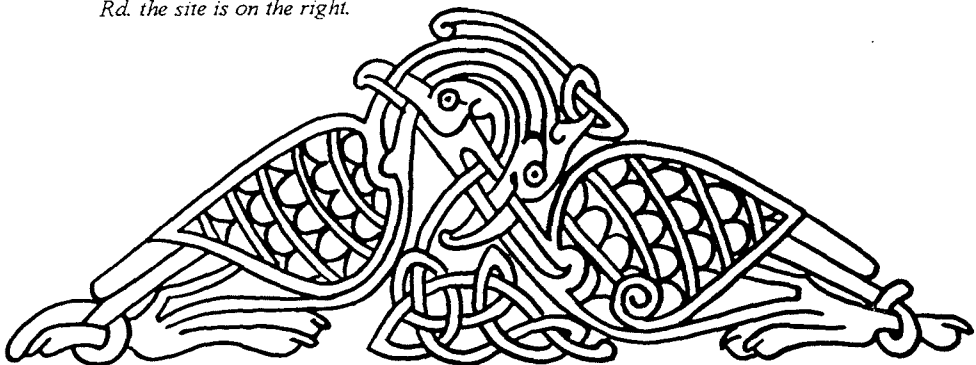
*The feast is \$10.00. \$5.00 for those 12 and under, free for those 5 and under. Advance reserved booking for the feast. Let us know by August 20th. For more information contact the autocrat: Morag MacCorrain of Dunna h'eoin (Maureen Schulting) (604) 963-3187. Address: RR#7, Site 25, Comp. 13, Prince George, B.C. V2N 2J5. Make cheques payable to Cold Keep SCA Inc.*

*Directions:*

*Dunna h'eoin is located at 8525 Buckhorn Lake Rd., Prince George, B.C.*

*From the South: Travel north on Highway 97 towards Prince George. Buckhorn Lake Road is about five miles north of the community of Red Rock and is labelled on the highway. Look for SCA signs. Turn right onto Buckhorn Lk. Rd. and travel approximately 4 km. The site is on the right.*

*From the East: Travel west on Highway 16 (the Yellowhead Hwy.) towards Prince George. As you approach Prince George, turn left at the first set of lights, south towards Quesnel and Vancouver. This will be marked with SCA signs. Travel approximately 14 km down this highway until you reach a stop sign. Turn left onto highway 97 and travel 2.5 km, turn left onto Buckhorn Lk. Rd. Travel approximately 4 km down Buckhorn Lk. Rd. the site is on the right.*



Greetings Unto the Populace of Borealis!

First we wish to extend our sympathies to Mary of Richmond Hill and Alton of Harlow House on the loss of Alton's Mother-in-law; as well, to Sunniva Ragnsvald and Stephan von Lubek on the loss of Sunniva's mother; and to former Baronial members Sigrit Rabenfelds and Haakon Draken on their familial losses.

Congratulations extend to Eadwulf MacRuthven on reaching the semi-finals at July Coronation's Kingdom Protector's Tournament. Great Shooting! Also, congrats to Albrecht von Rugen for his excellent showing in Crown Champion's Tournament.

Clinton War was great! We had an excellent time, even though the heat was nearly unbearable. Saturday's fighting was a highlight, with excellent showing from our Barony. A great number of the populace attended, and we hope they had as good a time as we did.

On a different note, we wish to encourage everyone to work together to help strengthen our Barony. The crown, both past and present, has indicated its concern over the in-fighting and lack of togetherness which they have perceived. It is our hope that these fears can be laid to rest, and that their confidence will be restored. We know this can be done. We believe in the Barony. We know there are excellent, hard working people in both cantons, and thank them for everything they've been doing to help the group.

How you can help - Communicate! If you have a concern, comment or questions, express it! Things cannot improve or change if they

## SEPTEMBER CROWN

The Shires of Aquaterra and Midhaven warmly welcome you to September Crown, September 2 - 5, 1994. In addition to the Crown and Squire's Tourneys, we will have Horse Games, Archery, a Rapier Tourney, and a Thirty-Year-Celebration Meeting. And, of course, lots and lots of merchants!

**Merchant information:** For reservations, contact **HLS Little Bear** at **P.O. Box 18, Sultan, WA 98294, 206-793-2111**. No Callbacks. Remember to send a SASE.

**Horse Games participants:** For information, contact **Katrin MacDonald** at **6922 Spada Rd., Snohomish, WA 98290, 206-568-9382** with number of horses and their approximate arrival time. We have a limited amount of space for horses, so call soon.

Requests for Eric space, Guild Row, and large household space (10 + tents) must be sent to **Lady Isabel de Marmande, 6921 Spada Rd., Snohomish, WA 98290**.

Drinking water is limited. Please bring drinkable water for your camp. Additional water will be provided by the Marine National Guard, and there is water for livestock.

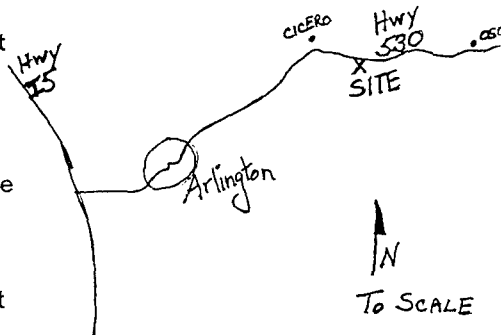
Although there are no showers, the beautiful Stillaguamish River runs by the site with a sandy area where bathing is possible. Parents be aware no lifeguard is on duty.

Also, September is traditionally a dry month. Please bring fire suppressants with your party. (Salt, baking soda, fire extinguishers, sand, and cat litter all work well.)

Site fees: \$10.00 US, \$12.00 Canadian for adults, and \$5.00 US, \$6.00 Canadian for children ages 6 through 12. Children 5 and under are free.

The site opens Friday at 3 pm and closes Monday at 6 pm. Merchants may set up starting Wednesday morning.

Directions: From I-5 North or South, take Exit 208 (Arlington/Darrington) to Highway 530. Follow Highway 530 east 4 miles through Arlington (follow signs through town). Go 10 miles east of Arlington on Highway 530 just past Milepost 31. (A total of 14 miles from the freeway.) The site is on the right; look for the SCA signs. Note: The highway is currently undergoing resurfacing and is torn up. We understand that it will be driveable, but expect short delays. We will have lots of signs!



Contact the Head Autocrat, **HLS Kathryn Garnett** at **6921 Spada Rd., Snohomish, WA 98290** or **Katrin MacDonald** at **206-568-9382**.

at Silverwolf, hosted by the northern Canton, in September. Should something arise which must be dealt with before then, contact your seneschal who will contact the other canton's seneschal and ourselves and it will be dealt with immediately. This works very effectively. We hope to see you all soon, and meet those of you whom we have not yet met.

In Service to you, the Barony and its Cantons

Alfheim der Wundersman  
Adeline von Schwarzwald

## WAR!!! WAR!!! WAR!!!

Come to a friendly little war at Dragonwood (Bowden) on August 13th & 14th between fighters of Borealis and Montengarde. Many scenarios will be run and there is a contest for the best scenario given to the autocrat (i.e. All-you-can-eat rattan resurrection battle, Wagon train raids, Treasure hunts). As well, there will be many activities and opportunities for civilians (non-combatants) and Lights

Contact Freydis the Far-Travelled, Northern Warmonger (Autocrat)  
Ph 433-7732 (keep trying, I don't have any autoservants)

are not brought out in the open. We believe we are very approachable, and are always willing to listen to what you have to say. Please talk! (We don't bite!) As we have seen, rumours due to whispers behind closed doors can have bad effects. Disperse rumours by talking openly. We ran for the position of Baron and Baroness because we love our Barony and its uniqueness, and we want to help. The Barony is made of its people, and how well they work together gives the Barony its strength. We believe in the people. We ask, as Castellans, that you believe in us.

We are available anytime should you have a concern. Call us until 11:00 pm, and if we are not in, please leave a message; we'll return your call as soon as possible.

Have fun! This is very important. We can not emphasize this enough. And in doing so, please respect someone else's fun. We are all different, but we all have something in common: The S.C.A.'s fun for us.

If you know of someone who deserves acknowledgement, send letters to the Crown (one to the King and one to the Queen) and let us know as well. We will also try to help.

Finally, the following Baronial positions must be filled as soon as possible:

Seneschal                      Master of Stables

If you are interested, please indicate this by submitting a resume to Elizabeth and ourselves. They will be filled as soon as possible.

The next Baronial meeting will be held

#### HARVEST FEAST AND CHAMPIONS' TOURNEY

Hear Ye, Hear Ye!!! Come and join us at Bitter End's Harvest Feast and Shire Champions' Tourney on September 24, 1994!

Again this year, we will be choosing our Light Champion--the Shooting Star, and our Heavy Champion--the Star Bearer. If you are chivalric and would like to be one of our Glorious Champions, Come and Vie at Three Mile Bend!

This year's feast theme is French. The feast will be held at St. Leonard's-on-the-Hill, 4241 - 44 St., Red Deer, AB.

There will be a Crown Principality Curia Meeting held after the tournaments, at St. Leonard's-on-the-Hill.

Armor Inspection begins at: 12:00 noon.  
 Archery Tourney begins at: 12:00 noon.  
 Heavies' Tourney begins at: 1:00 p.m.  
 Feast begins at: 6:30 p.m.

Costs for the event are:

Ages 16 to Adult: \$12.00.      Children 5 and under: no charge.  
 Children 6 to 15: \$ 6.00.      Site Fee only:                      \$ 5.00.

Please make cheques payable to The Shire of Bitter End.  
 Please do not forget to bring your proof of membership.

For feast reservations, please contact either:

Lady Freydis of Gloppenfjörd (mka Susan Stenson) 5813 - 44 Ave., Red Deer, Alberta, T4N 3J4 (403) 347-2467

OR

Lady Sheela MacDougal (mka Susan Spycher) 4118 - 37 Ave., Red Deer, Alberta, T4N 2T4 (403) 346-2865 - also for menu inquiries.

#### DIRECTIONS:

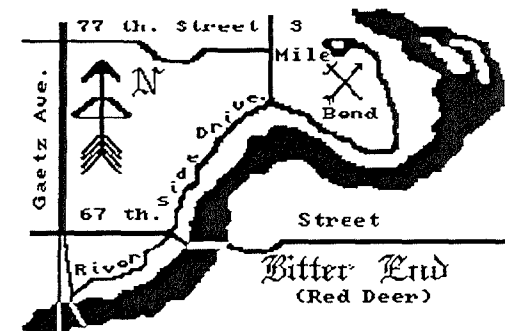
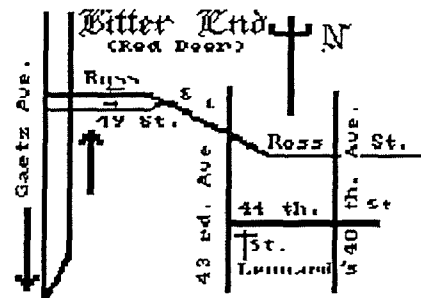
(plain arrows indicate one-way streets/avenues)

From North: Take Hwy 2 south to Red Deer; turn left on 67th St. (for tournament); turn left on 49th St. (for feast); then follow map.

From South: Take Hwy 2 north to Red Deer; turn right on 67th St. (for tournament); turn right on 49th St. (for feast); then follow map.

To Feast:

To Tourney:



GREETINGS UNTO THE POPULOUS OF BOREALIS

from the current Silverwolf Archery Champion, Lord Hamish Douglas, Yeoman to the Barony of Borealis. In these turbulent times it is easy to lose interest in simpler pastimes. With archery season upon us, though, let us turn our attention away from wintry indoor sports such as chess & politics.

Anyone of you of the populace of Borealis have it in your power to become the next Silverwolf Archery Champion of Borealis. Does this sound too good to be true? Not so, for the competition is in two easy parts.

1) Your best Royal Round Score. From anytime after last Silverwolf right up to the weekend before this upcoming Silverwolf. These can be mailed or hand delivered to me, and they must bear a witness signature.

2) This part will be a tournament involving light combat with your primary weapon. For this you will need full armour & 12 pieces of ammunition.

The two parts will be judged equally, if there is a tie I will come up with a suitable tie-breaker.

As chief archer of Veraquilon I would like to mention that there will be archery practice on Sunday afternoons at our acreage, weather and events permitting. We are south of Leduc on Hwy #2, take Glen Park Rd. west to RR 260 and turn left (next road after the giant cowboy) then we are the 2nd house on the right. Please call before coming out. Ph# 986-6623. Mail address: James Reader, RR#1 Leduc, T9E 2X1

Yours in Service

Craig Sheppard  
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[403]469-3561

17 July, 1994

Unto: All who wish to attend The Barony of Borealis Champions Tourney. Greetings from Serjeant Edward Bolden, Kingdom of An Tir Earl Marshal and current Borealis Heavy Champion.

Let it be to known to all who wish to enter the Lists that:

- 1] All past Champions and Borealis residents are eligible to be the Champion.
- 2] Outside residents are allowed to win the day and there will be a prize for the highest placed outsider to honor his/her commitment to travel.
- 3] The current Champion will participate in the Lists but shall not succeed himself.
- 4] The Champion must swear Fealty to Their Majesties. Either by writing or in person.
- 5] Tourney Rules: a) Maximum 5 attack surfaces with no more than 3 surfaces on one weapon, allowing only one weapon to thrust.  
b) All An Tir Conventions apply, including all Shield Conventions.  
c) No weapon over seven feet allowed.
- 6] Tourney Format: a) Part 1 - One hour Iron Cross, with two 25 minute halves. A maximum of 10 kills in a row will be allowed then you must go to back of line. (Note: The number of erics used and number of fighters in each eric will depend upon the number of fighters who attend.)  
b) Part 2 - Double elimination tourney to decide champion. (Note: The number of fighters allowed in the double elimination will be determined by the number of fighters that attend before the tourney begins.)
- 7] Individuals who do not act in a Chivalric manner during the event will not be allowed to be Champion.

In service to Crown and Kingdom of AnTir, I remain.....

**EDWARD BOLDEN**

Serjeant Edward Bolden  
Kingdom of An Tir Earl Marshal  
Champion of the Barony of Borealis