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Welcome to the Windlore!



Little Known Fact #41: The first documented use of the Phrase 'Talk to the Hand', shown above, was actually used by Sir Percival Longbottom on a couple of belligerent monks in 1242.

Greetings and welcome to the June 2007 issue of the Windlore, the newsletter for the Barony of Windmasters' Hill. This newsletter is distributed primarily in an electronic format and is accessible from the website www.windmastershill.org. If you desire to be sent a hard copy of the windlore via mail, please submit a written request to the Barony by coming to a monthly Baronial Meeting or by contacting the Baronial Chronicler:

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Letter from Our Chatelaine

Greetings unto the Populace of Windmasters' Hill from Lady Eibhlin inghean ui Chiarain, Chatelaine

At its best, the SCA is like a swan, gliding gracefully about on the surface looking regal and dignified, while all the time frantic underwater action is moving things along and keeping us on course. Service sustains the Society.

Without local groups planning events and activities, welcoming and integrating newcomers and informing and enlightening the Populace the Society would fade away. Without autocrats, stewards, cooks, marshals, and retainers our events would be chaotic and boring. Groups and events flourish when every member takes an active part in making sure things get done. The Society values service. We recognize those people who contribute their time and talent with awards, and the service peerage, The Order of the Pelican, is one of the highest honors in the SCA.

As an all-volunteer organization, the SCA only works when people step up and serve. This may seem daunting to newcomers, especially if they are unfamiliar with the organizational structure of a typical SCA group. SCA groups at all levels are managed by a group of officers:

1. Seneschal—Group president, calls and conducts business meetings. Is responsible for contracts and the official “face” of the SCA in the media. Has authority to approve or deny event and demo proposals.
2. Exchequer—Group treasurer. Maintains the group’s bank account and budget. Writes checks for approved expenses.
3. Herald—Group herald. Assists members in choosing and registering persona names and devices.
4. Chronicler—Group secretary. Takes notes at meetings and prepares and publishes the group newsletter. Is responsible for the group’s Webminister.
5. Chatelaine—Group newcomer liaison. Serves as an initial contact person for people interested in the SCA. As a deputy for the Seneschal, coordinates demos.
6. Minister of Minors—Coordinates children’s activities at events and activities.
7. Knights Marshal/Marshal—Calls for fighter practices. Acts as the safety officer at practices and events.
8. Minister of Arts and Sciences—Plans classes and workshops in the Arts and Sciences. Acts as a resource person for A&S research.
9. Chiurgeon—Provides first aid at practices and events. Can also coordinate water bearing at practices and events.

Very few groups have all of these positions filled, and every group needs deputies waiting in the wings to take over when the current officer steps down. Holding a local office, or acting as a local deputy is a great introduction to service in the Society. The officer positions vary over a wide range of interests and leadership styles, so there is something for everyone to do. If you are interested in getting more active in your local group, contact your local Seneschal.

OFFICER'S Letters

Chronicler's Quill

Greetings to the Great and Glorious Populace of Windmasters' Hill-

My thanks must go out once again to Lady Margaret Cochrane for the second part of her 'What to Expect at Pennsic' article. There is also included in this Windlore a hilarious poem by Wistric Oftun (thanks Wistric). You really must read the footnotes to fully enjoy it.

My extra special thanks go out once again to Trephina la Broderesse. She consistently is willing to take meeting minutes for me when my evil mundane job requires me to work every weekend. Thanks, Lovely Lady!

If you are at all interested in one day knowing the glory and honor that comes with being the Baronial Chronicler PLEASE do not hesitate to contact me.

In service,
Dunstan leHeryngmongere

BARONIAL MOAS SCROLL

From your Baronial Minister of Arts and Sciences,

It has come to my attention that each of our wonderful cantons have a number of newcomers. Please remember, if these newcomers have any A&S interests that you do not know what to do about, please send them my way. I'll make sure they find what they are looking for. Also, please take some time with each newcomer to review their interests. Sometimes newcomers don't know that what they were interested in is something we do. I had one lady, for example, who was very interested in knitting on the same small scale we do and was shocked to find out we knit. She thought it was post-period for us.

There is university coming up. That is also a great way for newcomers to experience some of the range of arts we do. There are also both Pearl and Laurel meetings at this university. If you are going to attend and are a member of one of these orders, please make note of when your meeting time is.

Lastly, there will be an A&S corner at the next baronial practice. Please bring projects/questions/comments. No formal class, just a little A&S space.

In Service,
Jehanette de Provins

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Minutes for the Baronial Meeting in May

Minutes of the Barony of Windmasters' Hill May 2007 Baronial Meeting, held at Carolina Pines Park on May 20, 2007. About 25 people attended.

Chow was running late due to an accident on I-40, so Bjorn brought the meeting to order around 4pm.

Baronage comments:

Yesterday's Baronial fighter practice at Gunther's was fantastic. About 50 heavy fighters and 15-20 rapiers showed up. There was an abundance of food. Everyone had a wonderful time.

Next, we have Pennsic coming up. Online registration deadline is June 15. The online registration for Pennsic A&S is open. Please consider displaying or sending stuff if you aren't going.

Officer Reports:

Chatalaine: Eibhlin said there's been great deal of newcomer interest in a number of the cantons. Attilium had about 8 new people at the Baronial fighter practice yesterday. We should encourage cantons to get newcomers to come to events like the Midsummers event next month. Contact local Golden Keys to provide garb. Also, she needs a deputy.

Chirurgion: Andreas was not here. He did post his report to the Keep as follows: "No major news. There will be a Chirurgion at Midsummer's Twilight Tourney and camping with the Barony at Pennsic. I am working on becoming an Armored Marshal. More Chirurgions and Waterbearers are needed. Please contact me if interested."

Chronicler: Dunstan was not here.

Herald: James has deputies – maybe too many. Talk to James or canton heralds if you need help with heraldry.

Knight Marshal: Alaric hopes this is his last meeting as Knight Marshall. He will transfer the job to Wystan soon, since the paperwork was mailed off last week. Baronial fighter practice was outstanding – people hope to make it a more regular event. Alaric gives his thanks for everyone's

support during all the years he was in office. He would suggest others try the office. It is a great learning experience. There was a cheer that Alaric rocks!

Rapier Marshal: Wistric wasn't here. He did post his report on the Keep: "Approximately 20 people masked up during the day yesterday. My thanks to all of them for making the practice better than any baronial practice I've been to before. The instruction from Duke Cuan, Duke Ragnar, Sir Christian, Sir Damon, Lord Percy and, of course, Her Excellency Rosalind are immensely appreciated and the results in our performance from the start of the day to the end are impressive. I'll be working with the canton marshals to spread these lessons to the fencers who couldn't make it yesterday, and we'll be practicing yesterday's lessons and melee tactics in general over the next two and a half months leading up to Pennsic. Many of the fencers there yesterday expressed the desire to have this be a more regular occurrence, and I whole-heartedly agree. As I make it around to local practices I'll be discussing what that will take. Also, the Provosts of the Academie d'Espee will be holding the field at the Midsummer's Twilight Tourney. I encourage all fencers to take this opportunity to gear up and fight the masters of the art." At the meeting it was mentioned that Wistric needs a marshal/deputy so he doesn't have to marshal practically everything he attends.

Archery Marshal: Manus said that the archery practice went fairly well yesterday. There were a lot of young people who were interested. He got a request for another arrow-making class. He's considering scheduling it sometime after the Midsummers event but before July. There also might be an archery practice at James' place sometime in mid-July. Manus has been going to Steafan's practice and it is getting fairly good attendance. It was mentioned that Steafan was honored by Duke Stephan of Belatrix due to his fighting combat archery at the practice yesterday. Steafan was given a belt from the knights.

Arts & Sciences: Jehanette was not here.

MOL: Zita was not here.

Web minister: Malcolm tried to get RSS feeds up, but he's still working on it. For those who want to keep track of forums but not go to the forum site to read the messages you can now subscribe to having

the forums to come to your email address. He'll announce it tonight on the Keep.

Quartermaster: Beatrice finally got the engraving tool from Alaric. She will probably engrave the pots and other equipment the Friday of Midsummers when all the kitchen gear is pulled out. She needs to set up a time with the exchequer to do another inventory of the Baronial shed.

Warlord: Cuan was not here.

MOM: Mariana apologized for not being at the meeting last month – she went home due to the bad weather. She has just started in this position and she wants to send out a survey to parents to get an idea of the ages of the kids in Windmasters' Hill, and to find out what parents are interested in and the events they want to attend with their kids. She wants to reduce the packs of kids roaming around with no activities. James mentioned that there is a Yahoo group for WH parents. Mariana is going to try new types of activities for Midsummers, such having a corner for children to play in the morning. She'd like to ask for donations of toys and games. Also she wants a teens' gallery so they have an approved area to gather. Beatrice wanted to know where children's things will be stored and whether it will be Baronial property. She also mentioned that there already are some toys, etc, in the shed. Beatrice is concerned about storing toys in the dusty shed. Mariana said any donations would be the property of the Barony and they can work out the storage issues.

Exchequer: Piero announced that as of the beginning of the meeting, the total in our bank account: \$13,616.39, of which \$2,459.75 is allocated, and \$11,156.64 unallocated. Piero needs a deputy. He was strongly urged to find a replacement. Gaston asked that others try to help find one.

Seneschal: Chow said that Gunther rented two portajohns for the Baronial fighter practice yesterday. Gunther called to report that he paid \$266.88 total for portajohn rentals. A motion was made to reimburse Gunther \$266.88 once a receipt has been submitted. The motion was seconded and passed. Gunther is anxious for us to use the site again. He was glad to

have us there and is willing to devote time (and squires) to fix it up. Duke Cuan is talking to Sir Finn about hosting the Baronial fighter practice next month. Bjorn talked about beating the bushes to keep interest in these practices. We shouldn't waste this opportunity and we need to keep it going. Organization and publicity is what made it work. Listing those participating generated interest and made it real. Momentum is important however the same people can't be responsible all the time. So we need to share the work, effort, and ideas.

Chow said he needs all of the officers to send all their vital information (SCA & mundane name, address, membership # and expiration date) so he can finish his report. There was discussion about announcing where the meeting will occur. Chow doesn't like sending out emails to everyone to remind them of the monthly Baronial meeting. He would prefer that meeting information be announced at Canton meetings by the Seneschals. Nikulai mentioned that the official policy is that the meeting location should be announced in the previous month's Windlore. Also, it would be useful if Malcolm could post it on the Windmasters' main webpage. Gaston volunteered that he would email meeting information to the seneschals and they then can announce it to their cantons. There was some discussion that maybe the meetings might be switched to Saturdays when there are events like yesterday's all-day fighter practice. But that causes issues with being inconsistent. There was no decision to change the timing of the Baronial meeting.

Canton Reports:

Attillium: Oisín wasn't here. Eibhlín said they have a lot of newcomers and are getting armor and gear together for them. They'd like donations for gently used clothes – they need garb for guys. Another idea would be to make simple clothes for them at cost. Their fighter practices are Sundays, their meeting will be moved to after the second Sunday practice rather than at the library this month. They'll let Dunstan know about the meeting change.

Buckston: Philippa mentioned that Buckston also has new members – a family with two boys – and the boys are interested in fighting and the paperwork is in progress. Buckston is having a great event in a month – Midsommers' Twilight

Tourney – so please preregister with Helwynn. Tessa, the event autocrat, made a request to rent the Baronial tent for \$50 for the event. They also will need all of the kitchen and other gear from the Baronial shed. There was discussion about whether the erics would be used for the fighting, and there was a strong recommendation that they must consider using the erics for fighting in the evening. Gaston recommends that work needs to be done on the ends of the erics because they are broken. He and Alaric said that the fixing of the eric ends is an after-Pennsic task. The Midsommers' event still needs a herald. James mentioned that a call should go to the Keep and that the announcement should be specific for the tasks to be done as herald (field vs. court heraldry). Mariana still needs squires and knights to help with kids' activities for the event.

Elvegast: Ormarr wasn't here. Gaston said things were fine.

K-berg: Beatrice said that K'berg is still having fighter practices on Thursdays in Carrboro, 5:30 rapier with Wistric and 7:30 heavy with Artus. New classes will be organized the first Monday in June and see Beatrice about teaching something. The annual Memorial Day cook-out will be at Nikulai and Lukus' house.

Nimenefeld: Steafan wasn't here. Eogan was at the event yesterday. Wistric and Tiernan have been helping out with rapier marshalling at the Nimenefeld practices.



Old Business:

Girard reminded everyone that Pennsic is coming up soon. June 15 is the deadline for registering with the Coopers. If you don't you will be doing single camping. The Barony has been picking up the cost for the common tent. Girard requested

that we allocate \$556.50 for a 20x20 Baronial tent with walls to be rented from Classic Tent Rentals, the place that has provided a tent the last two years. Motion was made, seconded and passed. Girard and Guenievre would like the individual Baronial Pennsic funds (\$15 each) in June. She said the current form is cumbersome and they hope to revamp it in the next week or so. Girard mentioned that each person is supposed to contribute 75 square feet per person for Baronial space. He will help people calculate space and decide how many reservations they need to submit with Coopers. This year's Baronial camp looks to be large and they are hoping to keep the same lot as last year. If there are any questions please see Girard or Guenievre.

Nikulai announced that Maddalena has a design and quote back from Darkridge for two Baronial coronets. They are placket style, with six plackets. Each placket will have in quatrefoils and Baronial heraldry, plus pearls and lapis cabochons. Rosalind said the designs are beautiful. The quote was for \$1100 and 6 months time to make them. Nikulai moved to allocate \$1250 towards the project. The motion was seconded and passed.

New business:

Nikulai announced that Kyneburh's mother passed away last night. He expects an announcement will be posted soon.

Philippa suggested scheduling a Baronial day to help out our enthusiastic newcomers. We need a time to help them get geared up – either at the next Baronial practice or do a workshop to help out. It was suggested that a workshop might be the better idea so they can be ready for the next Baronial fighter practice.

Regarding Saturday Baronial fighter practices, Eibhlín suggested that perhaps each Canton could take turns for the responsibility to do the work to support the fighter practices, so no one does it all the time. But they need to talk to Cuan, Wystan, and Wistric to make such plans since it is a fighter practice to get the Windmasters' Hill army back in top fighting shape. Attillium has volunteered to coordinate the activities for the next one.

Helwynn announced that the Cooks Guild were to meet immediately after the Baronial meeting. Guenievre will talk about the 14thc French cookbook she redacted. The next meeting of the Cooks Guild will be the 4th Sunday in June. The location will be posted on the cooks list.

Chow mentioned that the Baronial flyers must be approved by the media relations liaison. We need someone to work on a Baronial flyer to get it passed. Rosalind mentioned that Jim Shutz was a person who had volunteered to do photos for the Baronial flyer, so he should be part of this. Gaston said that he would help too.

Chow announced that the next Baronial meeting will be on June 17th at 4pm at Carolina Pines. If there is bad weather the meeting will be at the Subways across from the Farmers' Market.

Gaston wants people to talk about Ymir and he would like to hear from someone interested in submitting a bid. Girard is talking to people with connections to the Boy Scouts and state parks. James also talked about looking around Boy Scout sites. Hrothgar is also available to help.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40pm.

Submitted by Tréphina la Broderess



UPCOMING EVENTS

Here are events that are in the area, nearby or that might be of interest. Any item listed with a *** is NOT an official SCA event.

June

Summer University will be held on June 2nd in College Park, MD.

Midsummer's Twilight Tourney will be held in Leasburg, NC on June 8-10

July

Assessment will be held in Big Island, VA on July 6-8

Pennsic War starts a week early this year, running July 27th- August 12th in Slippery Rock, PA.

August

Pennsic War starts a week early this year, running July 27th- August 12th in Slippery Rock, PA.



The Baronial Contact List is waiting for you to make it bigger and better!

If you want to be one of the **cool people**, one of the **net-workers**, one of the **people who can actually be found** in this crazy web-wise world, then go to the website

<http://www.sinister.net/wh/whphone.htm>

and let your info be known. Many thanks to Master Corwyn for putting it together!

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Lord Bjorn of Attilium

Courtier

TBD at Midsummers Tourney

Archer

TBD at Midsummers Tourney

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TBD at Midsummers Tourney

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TBD at Midsummers Tourney

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Windmasters' Hill Baronial Calendar for June 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Elv Business 7:30 (AS) Kberg Ftr (5:30-rapier) (7:30- Heavy) (PM)	1	2
3 Attilium Practice (H) 1pm (JO) Elvegast Practice 1pm (CK)	4 Kappellenberg Meeting 7:30 pm (NS)	5 Buckston Prac (5:00) Meeting (7:30) (CC2)	6 Nimenfeld Prac (7pm) (AR)	7 Elv Business 7:30 (AS) Kberg Ftr (5:30-rapier) (7:30- Heavy) (PM)	8	9 Midsummer's Twilight Tourney Leasburg, NC
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17 Baronial Business Meeting (3pm) Baronial Fighter Practice (Noon) (carolina Pines)	18 Kappellenberg Meeting 7:30 pm (NS)	19 Buckston Prac (5:00) Meeting (7:30) (CC2)	20 Nimenfeld Prac (7pm) (AR)	21 Elv Business 7:30 (AS) Att Meeting 7:00 (JO) Kberg Ftr (5:30-rapier) (7:30- Heavy) (PM)	22	23
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PLEASE NOTE: This is a very basic calendar.

A much more detailed one can be found at : <http://sca.housebayard.net/calendar.htm>

What to Expect at Pennsic Part 2 of 2

A primer by Margaret Cochrane (MKA Brynn Smith)

(This is the second half of this article, submitted for any who are new to the ways of the great war Pennsic. The first half, which includes some helpful websites, was in last month's Windlore. Thanks, Margaret!) - Editor

Now you are ready to learn about your specific camp. Your camp will have some combination of a quiet side, a party side, a fire pit, a kitchen area, a shower (either solar or propane) a common area, a gate, and individual tents. Porta-potties are in sets on every other block, and Dumpsters are with about every other set of porta-potties. Flush toilets are at the bathhouse way down by the Coopers' Store, and there is always a line. If you have a fundamental problem with porta-potties, you should be aware that that is what you will be using most of the time. A note - close the lid when you are finished, so that the vent can work properly and the thing won't stink so much. Another note- the potty-cleaner guys come through two or three times a day. They work VERY hard, and they have a very nasty job. Please thank them, and offer them cold Cokes, or brownies, or whatever else you might have (no alcohol, please). Ok, enough about potties. The kitchen area will have a setup with tables, benches, a camp sink, and lots of personal coolers and propane stoves. If you do not own a propane stove, buy a couple of the small green Coleman canisters of propane and offer them to someone who does in exchange for the use of their stove. They will likely agree happily, but please do not just use someone's stove without permission first. And it should go without saying, but don't just go digging in someone's cooler without permission either. Don't lose your medallion.

Pennsic is the closest thing to communal living most people ever get to in their lives. Sharing is rampant, as are trading, caring, feeding, and responsibility. You will probably be asked to do a shift of watching the camp (there has been theft in the past, and it isn't stopping anytime soon), a shift of cleaning, and possibly a shift of fire-tending. If you hate one job and love another, you will probably be able to trade with someone who loves that job but hates the one you love. If someone cooks too much at a meal, they tend to give it away rather than throw it away. If someone does someone else a favour, the person receiving the favour usually does something in return. Not necessarily that day, or even that year, but sometime - everything is reciprocated eventually. People often set up deals where they will do something like wash all the dishes in exchange for free food, or babysit in exchange for a bag of ice. If you go offsite or to the store, ask around with pen and paper in hand, to see what anyone else needs, and buy it for them (they'll usually give you money). Don't lose your medallion. You'll need it to get back on site.

Your children are also welcome at Pennsic. There is a playground near the Coopers' Store, and a video game arcade. There are some planned childrens' activities, with playtime, water balloon fights, a Knowne World Children's Fete and the like, but if you need a babysitter, you must arrange it on your own. You are responsible for your kids the entire time they are there. You can not just let your children run around on their own, because Pennsic is not safe for small kids. Among the things to get into are fire pits, sump pits, vehicles, tractors, porta-potties, other peoples' tents, and a very confusing maze of roads with thousands of identical tents on them that make it extremely easy to get lost. Nobody will watch your kids automatically, not even other parents. You can always ask someone to watch your kids, but they have the right to refuse. Many people bring a nanny or babysitter with them to Pennsic, or make prior arrangements with someone who is already coming and will be in their camp, but there is no daycare or pre-school or nursery available. Children are welcome in some classes and not in others. If possible, make arrangements to leave your child with someone else before you go to a class. Don't let your kids lose your medallion or theirs, either. You'll have to produce your receipt (you put it in a safe place, remember?) and you'll get a hospital-style band to wear, so everyone will know you lost your medallion. Kids under 5 all get these anyway, and for babies they go on the ankle instead of the wrist.

Helpful random tips- get a Brita water bottle or a Brita pitcher. The water at Pennsic is extremely high in iron, so high that it is actually red. It always tests as potable but that doesn't mean it tastes good. You'll use up a three-month filter in two weeks, but it makes the water taste better. Take about twenty dollars worth of Sacajawea dollars (the gold ones) for giving to buskers and street performers, for giving to kids who buy ice for you and carry it, and so on. Drink the chocolate milk at least once. Always put your sunscreen on your feet and the tops of your ears.

That will scratch the surface for now, but among other things, always be aware of your hydration level and drink lots of water. Also, you should go to a court, know where the first-aid station is, know where Security is, read a copy of the Pennsic Independent, stay up late and watch the Persiad meteor shower, ride the tractor-wagon around with your camera and take pictures of the gates, go shopping, go to a party such as Men Without Pants or the Knowne World Piping Competition, give money to a street performer, eat at the food court, go to a class about something entirely new to you, volunteer for a shift or three at Troll or Security or Waterbearing or Childrens' Activities, go to the Arts and Sciences display in the Barn, dance the night away, do someone a favour they don't know about, and go see at least one battle. This is a war, remember?

Useful web sites:

<http://www.pennsicwar.org/> This is the official, rather dry site for war.

<http://www.pennsic.net/> This is Alexander the Lost's useful, fun, unofficial site.

<http://www.cooperslake.com/> This is the campground itself.

<http://www.grimmsinc.com/> This is Grimms' Tent Rental - it's probably a bit late for 2004 to rent a tent, but you can rent one next year if you'd like.

<http://www.radix.net/~dglenn/words/war-cooking.html> More cooking without a cooler.

<http://www.florilegium.org/> The unofficial archive of the Rialto, the SCA newsgroup.

A Midsummer's Twilight Tourney III

June 8-10 2007
Canton of Buckston-on-Eno

Come Join the Canton of Buckston-on-Eno for this tribute to Don Quixote; a day of chivalry, revelry and a celebration of Spanish Culture! Not only are we tilting at Windmills, we are turning the whole event upside down! There will be activities and contests sure to please everyone, but be warned . . . the feast will be at midday and the fighting will be in twilight hours.

There is LOTS of stuff going on at this event, including Evening Heavy Fighting, Evening Rapier Fighting, Equestrian, A&S demonstrations, kids and pages activities, a delicious feast for lunch, and general Baronial/Cantonal comederie.

SITE STUFF: The site is Farm Ventures (Person County Group Homes)
363 Jerry Dixon Road, Leasburg, NC 27291.

The site is dry. Camping is encouraged. Period pavilions will be placed on the tournament field. Well-supervised dogs on leads are permitted. For questions concerning horses, contact the Cavalry Marshal, Baroness Beatrice von Staufen at baronessneatrice@hotmail.com. Other questions can be directed to one of the two site coordinators, Tessa de Spina (jan-and-tessa@earthlink.net) (This is also the site autocrat) or Maestra Francesca la Curiosa at muirdean@mindspring.com.

For directions go to the website <http://buckston.atlantia.sca.org/midsummer/site.htm>

Reservation Rates:

Day Trip (adults ages 18 and up) \$ 10:00

Day Trip or camping child (ages 6-17) \$5.00

Camping adult \$12.00

Ages 5 and under (camping or Day trip)- Guests of the Canton!

Feast (any age) \$7.00. Please remember this is a lunchtime feast!

A non member surcharge of 3.00 applies to any adult without proof of SCA membership
The only guaranteed reservation is a paid reservation. Make any reservation check payable to
Canton of Buckston-on-Eno, SCA, Inc. and send to
Helwynn Ivelchild (MKA Cassandra Chambers)
106 Rex Place, Lousiburg, NC 27549
RE: Midsummer's Twilight Tourney.



*This man is never to be trusted. Trust me on this.
-The Editor.*



*Now this lord, this man you can totally trust.
-The Editor.*

String Thing is back!

The monthly meeting of practitioners of all arts de fabrique is back in effect!

June 24th is the next meeting. Meetings typically go from 2PM to 5PM

Contact Francesca at
471 2727 for details.

Directions to get to the next Baronial Meeting:

The next Baronial fighter practice and meeting will be held at 12 and 4 respectively on June 17th. They will take place at Carolina Pines Park in Raleigh. Directions are as follows: Take Highway 40 to exit 297 (Lake Wheeler road). Turn South on Lake Wheeler Road. (So if you were traveling on I40 East you turn right. If you were traveling west turn left). Drive approximately 1 -2 miles down lake wheeler road. Turn left into the park (Carolina Pines Park, marked with a brown sign with white letters). Fighter practice usually takes place near the playing fields. Meetings are usually under the shelter near the main parking lot.

In the event of inclement weather, the Meeting will actually take place just down the street at the Subway restaurant located on Lake Wheeler road just North of Highway 40. The address to this Subway is 1709 Lake Wheeler Road, Raleigh, NC 27603.

In service,
Dunstan LeHeryngmongere

Wyff alle dywwe respect fore

Laurd Hawse-o-Mann [1]

(Wyff footnotes)[2]

Wistric, this is stupid stuff,
My lady sayth to me[3]
Of dictating she's had enough,
But I know not how to screeve
Yet she hopes letters I'll work out[4]
And in so doing shut my mouth

Wistric, thou art full a git,
My friends gently declare[5]
You have not a jot of wit
For all you fill the air
You're dumber than a herd of cows
Please do take the Trappist vows[6]

Wistric, thou art now a Lord[7]
Please act like thou oughcta
Ay, mine ears have heard the word
But there's no prima to nocta[8]
(They say that Lords have grace an' chiv'ry
But I know else, I've read my hist'ry)[9]

Thy jest, Wistric, is soft as lard
Not pointed like a lance[10]
Be like Fishboy or the F'Bard[11]
Get your mind out of your pants
(I think the fuhBard's lance, it swishes
But you might have to ask his missus)[12]

Wistric, just give up this jest,
Sayth a brewer, wot 'e brooze[13]
Then people will like you best,
It's a skill that you can use
For mead does more than 'splaining can
To justify dud lines to man[14]

Wistric, thou have but rare good jokes
I can count them on one hand[15]
Give up your attempt at bon mots
Remove them from this land!
Instead learn thou to play the flute[16]
And in so doing, be thou mute

Wistric, thou art banished
Or so would say their maj
Had I a one-liner chann'ced
Some sense I yet still haj
My humours[17] are but sole my own
And should not vent so near the throne

Try as I might I stir no hearts
Nor lighten any heads
So I have learnt another art
I'll stab people instead[18]
And when you are all like fish gaff-ed
I bet that then you'll wish you'd laugh-ed[19]

[1]See A.E. Housman's "Terence, This is Stupid Stuff", and many thanks to me dear mother and father who inagrated each new libation with the solemn intonation "Malt does more than Milton can to justify God's ways to man". I dunno who this Milton is, some Biblical apologist wot like wonders from town to town and preaches at us from in front of the Caffedral. Mmmmm... Caffè.

[2]Like this one!

[3]Cite: Personal interviews, Lady Sunneva de Clee, from AS XXIX to present

[4]Like she has

[5]Cite: Personal interviews, Lord Girard le Bourgoignon, Lady Guenievre de Monmarche, AS XXXVIII to present

[6]Trappist Monks take vows of silence, allegedly Cite: Wikipedia, beotchies.

[7]Cite: op.atlantia.sca.org Oh, wait, no, a certain Court Herald I know hasn't gotten around to that yet (Jan 6th, 2007)

[8]"Prima Nocta" being the right of lords to boink the new brides and/or livestock of the local dirty stinking peasants. Cite: Braveheart

[9]Cite: The Crusaders in Byzantium. The Crusaders in Antioch. Hell, any instance of more than two male gentles in armor in a city more than a half a days walk away from their castle.

[10]Cite: Personal interviews, Baron Alejandro de Something or other, you know, tall bald guy. Quote: "Wistric here takes an approach to humor like hunting squirrels with a shotgun." Whatever that may be.

[11]These in no way, shape, or form refer to any persons, now, previously, or in the future living.

[12]See footnote 11, and to add emphasis, I swear!

[13]Cite: Personal interviews, Lord Girard le Bourgoignon, Baronial Brewing Champion of Windmasters Hill

[14]See footnote 1

[15]Cite: Personal interviews, Lady Rebecca of Buckston. I now am up to 4.

[16]flute = Recorder

[17]humours = Farts

[18]He means fencing, really!

[19]We hope.