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Meetings and Practices

Baronial Business Meetings

1st Thursday of each month Sachem Public Library (Holbrook) 7:30pm Contact Seneschal Baron Master Sean de Londres (John Cnapich) for information. barondelondres@yahoo.com
All are welcome. Officers are encouraged to attend.

Canton Business Meetings

Hawkes Reache

2nd Tuesday of each month Harborfields Library 7:30 pm *NB see pg. 3 Contact Seneschal Alexander MacLachlan (Brett Kessler) for information. captgoldman2100@aol.com

Directions to Gachem Library

Take the L.I.E. to exit 61,
Patchogue-Holbrook Rd.
CR-19 towards Patchogue/
Holbrook. Merge onto Expwy
Drive South, turn left at
Holbrook Rd. The library is at
150 Holbrook Rd.
631-588-5024

Fighter Practice

Wednesdays 7-10:30 P.M. (see pg. 6)

The ball fields at Islip Grange Park, Broadway Ave., Sayville, two cross streets north of Montauk Hwy. Contact Lord Tristan at 516-652-8469

Fencing

Fridays 7:30 - 10 P.M.

Loaner gear available. Anyone 14 yrs. and older welcome. 640 Belle Terre Rd., Building F, Port Jefferson, NY Contact Moresca at 347-276-8813 or

morescarf@aol.com

Archery & Thrown Weapons

Contact Lord Logan de Londres and Lady Damianna de Londres (Mark & Dina Wolyniec) for information: 631-924-6968 (before 9 P.M.)

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* SEEKING LETTERS of INTENT

Letters of Intent should be submitted to the Baronial Seneschal & Coronet via mail or email. Letters may also be submitted at the Baronial business meeting held the first Thursday of every month at Sachem Public Library.

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Canton of Bawkes Reache



http://hawkesreache.eastkingdom.org

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Event Calendar

Local Barony of An Dubhaigeainn events listed in red.

For full event listing and information see the East Kingdom website: http://www.eastkingdom.org/event-list.html

July

August/September

7/1- 4 Northern Region War Camp 2011 - King's & Queen's Equestrian Champions - Shire of Glenn Linn - Warrensburg, NY

7/9 Toys for Tots Summer Warlord Tourney - Barony of Iron Bog - Pemberton, NJ

7/16 <u>Summer Archery Shoote</u> - Barony of Concordia of the Snows - Altamont, NY

7/29 - 8/14 Pennsic War 40 - Kingdom of Aethelmarc - Slippery Rock, PA

8/27 <u>Unnatural Axes II BBM Baronial Birthday</u> - Canton of Ravenhill - Bethel, CT

8/27 <u>It takes MY child to raze a village</u> - Barony of Bhakail - Philadelphia, PA

9/9 - 9/11 Feast of John Barleycorn - Viceregal Investiture - Canton of Northpass - North Salem, NY

9/16 - 9/18 <u>Lakewood Ren-Faire XXX</u> - Barony of Carillion - Lakewood, NJ

Potted Arms Thank-you's

Thank you to all who braved the misty, rainy weather to join us for Potted Arms. Space prevents us from naming everyone individually, and yet we would be remiss if we did not name several people without whom this event would not have been possible. We are particularly grateful to the co-autocrats, Lady Sorcha and Lord Miquel, and to our fabulously creative feastocrat, Baroness Mistress Suzanne. Thanks to Stefan de Londres for quenching our thirsts and to the Petritsch family & Elisaid of Ayrshire for filling in wherever help was needed. Thanks to all those who designed and ran the tournaments and auctions: Alexander MacLachlan, Peter of Hawkwoods, Ambjorg Nilsdottir, Tristan Winter, Baroness Gianetta and John the Bear. Finally, a big thank you to Their Excellencies and the populace who made set-up and breakdown nearly painless.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

Canton of Hawkes Reache

http://hawkesreache.eastkingdom.org

The July meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 12, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Pam Jacques and Pete Farrell, 16 Leonard Drive, East Northport, NY 11731. This is our last meeting until September, at which time we will once again hold the monthly meeting at Harborfields Public Library in Greenlawn. For further info, call (631) 754-8977 (before 10).

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Combat Arts: fighting, fencing, archery & thrown weapons

Outdoor practices are being held every Wednesday, 7-10:30 pm at Islip Grange Park, Broadway Ave., Sayville, two cross streets north of Montauk Hwy. Contact Lord Tristan at 516-652-8469. As practices are scheduled, any of the following may step in as Marshal in Charge so that scheduled baronial practice may continue with insurance intact: Kevin Dowd, James Peck, and Eric Rhude. The fencers operate on a similar premise. Moresca (Julie De-

Vuono) is the deputy KM in charge of Rapier. In her absence, any of the following may MiC a Rapier practice: **Pete Boullianne**, **Erik Soto**, and **Brett Kessler**.

Beavy Weapons: Up to date information on practices may be found at the Yahoo web site here: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/scaducks/.

We have also been invited to join the fighters of Ostgardr who continue to meet on Sundays in Brooklyn from noon until about 4 p.m. at Quality Conservation, 140 58th Street, Bldg. A, Unit 8M. The site is indoors - a large warehouse with plenty or room, so even polearms are fine. There is plenty of parking within a fenced and guarded lot. For those taking public transportation, the site is two to three blocks from the R/N train stop at 59th Street. Non-fighters are welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact RobertEsteves@gmail.com

We have also been invited to join a <u>NON SCA</u> practice held by MSR on Thursday nights at 7 p.m. at Wantagh Memorial Congregational Church, 1845 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793. Please contact Adam Redler for further info:

adamo_di_barbera@yahoo.com

Fencing Practice

We continue to meet at 640 Belle Terre Rd., Building F, in Port Jefferson. Practice for fencers is Friday evenings, 7:00-10 p.m. The next scheduled practices are July 8, 15 and 22. The emphasis will be on group tactics. Some loaner gear may be available if requested beforehand. Please call Moresca before coming to practice to confirm that we're meeting. (347) 276-8813 or morescarf@aol.com

We have also been invited to join practices with Lion's End at 3060 Hempstead Tpk., Levittown. The next practice is scheduled for **July** 8, but it may be consolidated with the practice in Port Jefferson that night. Please contact Lord Alexander MacLachlan (Brett Kessler) for further info. (631)428-7492 before 10:30 p.m., e-mail: captgoldman01@aol.com.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW CHAMPIONS!

Both our Baronial Fencing Tournament and Baronial Thrown Weapons Tournament were recently held at the Potted Arms event, and two new champions have been named.

Congratulations to Baron Master Don Jean Xavier for being named our new Fencing Champion, and to Lord John of Gravesend, for being named our new Thrown Weapons Champion.

Vivat!



Archery & Thrown Weapons:

While no formal practices are scheduled before Pennsic, please check the Scaducks Yahoo list for last minute

pick-up practices, http://groups.yahoo.com/group/scaducks/.

Alternatively, contact Lord Logan de Londres (Mark Wolyniec) for up to date information. (631) 924-6968 before 9 p.m.

Seen on the Web

One of the most important resources we have available to us on the web is the recently redesigned East Kingdom website: http://www.eastkingdom.org/ We also have a wonderful 'wiki' East Kingdom website stocked with goodies: http://www.eastkingdom.org/mediawiki/index.php/Main_Page

Google has a neat function that not only allows you to tour some of the world's greatest museums, but also includes super detailed HD photos of some of their major artworks - great for A&S research. You can check it out here: http://www.googleartproject.com

A recent article suggests that medieval nuns might have been much more fashion forward than might be supposed. The article, "Best Clothes and Everyday Attire of Late Medieval Nuns," by Eva Schlotheuber, appears in Fashion and Clothing in Late Medieval Europe. Ecclesiastical officials often made and repeated rules for nuns' clothing, and Schlotheuber uses these period restrictions as well as other contemporary observations to suggest that far from being limited to a uniform wimple and veil, medieval nuns (like their secular counterparts) wore clothing commensurate with their status and class. This might include a very un-nun like display of furs, jewels and the rich fabrics enjoyed by the nobility. For further information, check out this article from Medievalists: http://www.medievalists.net/2011/06/04/medieval-nuns-knew-their-fashion-historian-finds/

Video of the Month

For those who are interested in **Scottish history**, Stirling Castle has recently undergone a huge refurbishment of the royal apartments bringing them back to the way they might have looked during the reign of James V and Mary of Guise in the mid 16th century. Based on inventories of the time, the nearly twenty million dollar refurbishment includes reproduced tapestries, carvings and paintings as well as costumed docents to transport the visitor to the royal lifestyle enjoyed by the parents of Mary, Queen of Scots. For a glimpse inside, check out the videos posted by Historic Scotland, the official executive agency of the Scottish government charged with the management of the castle: http://www.youtube.com/stirlingcastletv

Speaking of Stirling Castle, a new exhibit there will bring visitors face to face with knight and lady excavated from its lost royal chapel. The skeletons were discovered in 1997 during the preparatory work for the refurbishment and are of particular interest since they date from the earlier, medieval period during the wars of independence between Scotland and England. All of the skeletons showed evidence of violent death, including that of the lady, who appears to have been killed by several blows to the head. The fact that they were buried in the royal chapel suggests that they were people of some importance. Bodies would normally be buried in a kirkyard, which suggests that the people were killed at times when it was too dangerous to venture beyond the castle walls. Forensic scientists have reconstructed at least two of the faces and posed some interesting theories about who these people may have been and how they met their deaths. For more information, you can check out the Stirling Castle website here: http://www.stirlingcastle.gov.uk/home/newsandevents/bbchistorycoldcase.htm

Scadians have enjoyed (or critically dissected) a cornucopia of period dramas recently featured on T.V. *The Tudors* recently ended its cable run on HBO, while the medievally based fantasy *Game of Thrones* has been renewed for a second season. Showtime's *The Borgias* and STARZ *Camelot* are also riding the wave of popularity. Love them or hate them, historical dramas are burning up the airwaves. Next on the horizon is *Vikings*, a ten episode drama series depicting the Viking hero, Ragnar Lodbrok, who captured Paris, and will be set in the 8th to 11th century. Recently green-lit by MGM, the series is produced by Michael Hirst and Morgan O'Sullivan, who previously created *The Tudors* and *Camelot*. For more info, see this article from the Toronto Star: http://www.thestar.com/entertainment/article/997442--are-vikings-the-next-pop-culture-fetish

Local Museum Exhibits

We're lucky enough to live close to a number of world class museums and galleries. Remember that many museums have hours for reduced admission - check before you go. You might also be able to obtain discounted admission tickets from your local librarian, or do a quick search on the Suffolk Web: http://suffolk.lib.ny.us/ Enter 'museum passes' in the search field to find out if your library offers passes. Here's a partial list of some current exhibits and activities of interest:

The Morgan Library and Museum on Madison Avenue and 36th St. is currently hosting *Illuminating Fashion: Dress in the Art of Medieval France and the Netherlands* through September 4, 2011. Remember, admission to the Morgan is FREE on Friday evenings from 7- 9 p.m. http://www.themorgan.org/exhibitions/exhibition.asp?id=45
Even if you can't visit the museum, you can view highlights from the exhibition here:
http://www.themorgan.org/collections/works/IlluminatingFashion/default.asp Guided tours of the exhibit are offered Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 2 p.m. For more information, please call (212) 685-0008, ext. 561. Bear in mind that the museum commentary on the illuminations is written by art historians, not medieval historians, who often take exception to some of the historical conclusions drawn by the commentary. As ever, check out several different sources when researching any history - you might be surprised at the academic controversies!

The Metropolitan Museum of Art is always a delightful place to view historic art and sculpture. Located on 5th Avenue at 82nd Street, the museum has several current exhibits that might be of interest to the membership. Recently opened, Historic Images of the Greek Bronze Age focuses on the artwork discovered at the excavations of Troy and Knossos in the 19th century, while Thinking Outside the Box features European cabinets, caskets, and cases from the 1500–1900. Information about all the current special exhibits at the museum can be found here: http://www.metmuseum.org/special/

Up at **The Cloisters**, the gardens are in full bloom. Garden tours and museum highlight tours are given regularly. If you are interested in learning more about the cultivation and uses of a medieval garden, why not check out their blog, *The Medieval Garden Enclosed?* http://blog.metmuseum.org/cloistersgardens/ For more information on their programs, you can check out the museum's web site here: http://www.metmuseum.org/cloisters/ Remember, there's a treat in store when we get back from Pennsic. On **August 27** from 1-4 p.m. The Cloisters will host several weavers from the West Dean Tapestry Studio in Chichester, England who will be demonstrating a number of tapestry weaving techniques from the early 16th century.

The Frick Collection on 70th Street and Fifth Avenue is home to several notable medieval and renaissance works of art. Giovanni Bellini's *St. Francis in the Desert* is currently being featured through August 28. You can find a discussion of the painting and the scientific research into its history at the Frick website here: http://www.frick.org/exhibitions/bellini/index.htm

For those interested in the culture and art of India, don't miss the current exhibit at **The Brooklyn Museum**, *Vishnu: Hinduism's Blue-Skinned Savior*, running until October 2. 2011. Presenting approximately 170 paintings, sculptures, and ritual objects that were made in India between the fourth and twentieth centuries, this exhibit focuses on Vishnu, one of Hinduism's three major deities. The museum is located at 200 Eastern Parkway. For more information, see their website: http://www.brooklynmuseum.org/

East Kingdom - Wanted

In case you missed it, The July issue of The Pikestaff announced a design competition to refresh the header for the East Kingdom website. If interested, sent an email to webmaster@eastkingdom.org for rules, size constraints and color palette. The offices of the Kingdom Chronicler & Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences have put out the call for an editor "with the drive and creativity to start a quarterly electronic newsletter and manage it for an initial term of two years (w/ an option to continue). The editor will work hand in hand with the kingdom arts and sciences officer for content, but will report to the kingdom chronicler as a warranted chronicler." Recommended qualifications include writing and layout skills (support from a designer and proofreader are fine) and the willingness and ability to produce a clear, legible and attractive newsletter in a timely fashion each quarter. See July Pikestaff pg. 5 for further details.

From the Coronet





Summer is here and with it, all thoughts turn to the Pennsic War. Everyone is getting ready: the fighting practice changes to melee tactics, tents are checked and patched, and artisans are busy finishing their projects. Everyone prepares for their 'working' vacation. There is lots going on 'behind the scenes' as well, as many people pitch in to make our stay at Pennsic safe and comfortable.

Among the improvements is our much anticipated new shower building. Yes, there's a real structure this year, with not one but two working showers! Painted to look like a thatched Tudor cottage, the showers are even crowned with a hand carved An Dubhaigeainn duck. Think on not just the labor, but the time and logistics it took to deliver it to rural western PA. We are amazed at the awesome results and grateful to everyone who pitched in.



A great deal of work goes into our two weeks at Pennsic - not just the design and construction of our physical camp, but the preparations as well. Land allotments must be negotiated, new campers need to be welcomed and brought up to speed, and we very much appreciate all the old hands who step up to educate and welcome people new to our camp. We encourage everyone going to Pennsic to remember all the people who've helped prepare for this event. Please acknowledge their labors by treating our camp with the honor and respect it so richly deserves.

One of the best things about being Baron and Baroness is being able to formally recognize certain people who go above and beyond for our Barony. This is a happy privilege, one of our favorite powers. We will hate to give it up when we step down, but it's getting to be that time. If you are considering running for Baron or Baroness of An Dubhaigeainn, we urge you to talk to your prospective partner (if any), and the people you expect to support you. In order to insure a smooth transition, we require a letter of intent sent to both us and our Seneschal to be received no later than October 3, 2011.

That's it for business. As always, we are available for your questions and comments. Other than that, we will see you at Pennsic. Please be safe.

In Service, Ateno and Lassar Baron and Baroness An Dubhaigeainn