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AFTERMATH OF THE DREGATE FAIRE

Many thanks to all who helped make this years Dregate Faire a success. Thank you HL Killian for putting together the Pas d'Armes, it was a great crowd pleaser and from what I heard from the fighters they enjoyed the change of format as well. The Arts and Science booth was well viewed, HL Dubheasa was a superb Chatelaine, as many people signed our guestboke as wanting more information. Lady Leona and HL Brona fed everyone from the Cleaver and Kettle, for which we were all grateful.

A special thanks to Leonidas who traveled far and spent many hours explaining period archery to the populace; to Baroness Olivia, HL Jay, and HL Triona who came to demonstrate period arts; to HL Amberoshi who came to help with rapier demos; and to our outgoing Rapier Champion Hakim al-Bahr ibn Da'ud al-Ghazis (aka Spoonstealer) for conducting this years Champion tourney.

Congratulations to Lord Andrew Williams, Cadet to Herr Lyall von Foxx, as Dregate's new Rapier Champion!

An autocrat can only put the event into motion. It is the rest of you (and please forgive me for omitting names, my brain is still in pause mode, and I would have to list every single person who attended) that carried the momentum and made it happen for the entire weekend. I am grateful for the teamwork and camaraderie we share, thank you all from set-up to take-down; I am again so happy to be from the Shire of Dregate.

yours in service,
 Oso Ujin

Armoring

Howdy,

Bow hunting season is over now and I am going to become a bit more active again. I am looking at possible weekends for fight practice and archery practice and last but not least ARMORING. All of this will be done up at our home on the ranch. I am looking for suggestions as to the weekend that looks good for all, contact me with your suggestions. I still have Rattan available for sale.

I have been approached by Lochlan about being this years Marshal and am seriously considering this appointment.

That is all for now.



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DREGATE SHIRE MEETING

Sunday September 24th Riverside Park
17:12 pm

Attending—Oso, Conuil, Sunesu, Teagan, Broc, Leona, Dubheash, Kato, Melissa, Angus, Killian, Natalie, Lachlan.

Officer Reports—

Officer reports are due!

Equestrian: Had a practice - six riders, four horses; went well

Archery: nothing to report

Constable: nothing to report

Chatelaine: Newcomers meeting: two new people showed up. Another new person, Tony asked Killian to look into a name for him so he sent it to the college of heralds.

Herald: NADA

Exchequer: roughly \$1,600

Marshal: Check your fighters cards and will not be scheduling any practices.

Iron key: nada

A&S: Please submit your projects in the up coming fair and A&S Championship
Chronicler: please send officer duties descriptions to me.

EVENTS

Dregate Faire: Lots of info was discussed but it is all mute now since it is over for this year.

Next Year's Calendar:

Mid winter masked ball: Jan 20th Natalie is autocrat

Red Lantern: Feb 25th Lachlan to Autocrat

Fur and Feather: possible locations—Tonasket Rodeo Grounds or Wauconda Grange grounds end of April

Iron and Ink: possibility, still waiting to hear if we got the bid, Ihon has volunteered to Autocrat

Revel: Killian to autocrat and set it out to the populace to decide if it should be in August or September. The site is also up in the air for now.

Dregate Faire: possible in Spring

Heavy Championship: 22nd October see report by Marshal.

A/S Open to Adults only! Documentation not necessary competitors to judge each other

Equestrian Championship: sometime in the future

Hour of Anarchy:

29th of October DOJO 1300 with general meeting as well

Mongol persona and home-made garb class possibly Nov 4th; Watch the calendar.
Meeting closes

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Seneschal Missive

Greetings,

We hail the close of tourney season with our Champion's Tourney for Rapier, Armored, and Arts & Science competitors this month. The distinction of Champion is a valued identity in the Shire of Dregate, so much so that by our Charter we allow only members and honorary members to qualify for the merit. We require all combatants to be carded SCA members, to show their dedication to the Society at large.

We look up to Champions for an entire year to be mentors of their Art, to guide and teach others who aspire to that station. We ask that Champions participate in events as our representatives, in war and in peace, at home and when possible; afar. It is our Champions who protect and defend our Patron, Countess Melissa Kendall of Westmoreland, when we are in her presence.

Furthermore, we expect Champions to behave like Champions, on and off the field, to honor their challengers as worthy opponents; not as those who "lost". In this game we play of re-creating the Middle Ages, chivalry and graciousness are valued, and in our Shire Champions we thus value these qualities.

There is honor for all who enter, for it shows a willingness to put yourself on the line in front of your peers. If you enter and do not win, there is no shame if you have done your best. If you enter and do not win, there is inspiration for next year, and time to increase your knowledge, expand your level of skill. It is an honor to bring out the best in the Champion, without all combatants a Champion does not feel like there has been an achievement, even if they are the best in the Known World.

Because of all of this, expectations are high for the individuals who succeed in achieving the honor of Shire Champions. So too, the accolade is high. Aspiring combatants, ready yourselves mentally and physically. Hone your abilities on all levels, for the time of showing your competence will soon be at hand.

The Rapier Championship will be held on Sunday October 1st at the Dregate Faire.

The Arts & Science Champions will be held Sunday October 22 at the Tonasket City Park. This will be a full day of socializing, and potluck grazing, while the Armored fighting and Arts and Science judging occurs. Bring banners, chairs, food and drinks.

Yours In Service,

Companion Oso Ujin
Seneschal, Dregateshire

WINTER INVESTITURE 2006 PRINCIPALITY OF TIR RIGH

November 17-19, 2006

Shire of Lionsdale, Chilliwack, BC

Prince Kheron Azov and Princess Ksenia Einarsdottir invite Their loyal subjects to Their hunting lodge in the mountains of Lionsdale to witness the Investiture of Their successors. Rapier fighters will compete for the title of Scar of Tir Righ.

The Arts and Sciences competition will reveal the next Scholar of Tir Righ. Gather by the fire in the Great Hall on Saturday evening for a Habsburg Harvest feast, dancing and entertainments.

Head Chef Kenzie MacBeighn and the good gentles of Holly House will provide the feast at \$10 per person. Due to the intimate setting, seating will be limited to 100. Pre-registration by November 1st is required. Contact HL Sofia Traum von Trifels at sofiagirl@yahoo.ca for tickets.

Site fees:

Adult Member \$15, Youths 13-18 \$7.50, 12 and under Free, Family cap \$40. NMS is in effect for this event. Non member adults add \$4. Gate opens at 7pm Friday evening. Site closes at 5pm Sunday.

Camping and RVs without hookups are free on site. Earls on the River, a few km towards Sardis is a campground/paintball site. \$5 per person for RVs, Paintball \$15. Chilliwack River Campground, 604-858-4443, a few km east, is \$22 night for RVs w/elec & water. The Comfort Inn, 604-858-0636, in Sardis, has rooms for four starting at \$74, if booked two weeks in advance at the SCA group rate.

For crash space or merchant space contact the autocrats: Richarde Touchet de la Croix and Genevieve de Clairvaux at genevievesca@hotmail.com or richardcavalier@yahoo.com

Site Info:

Name: Chilliwack Fish and Game Club
48685 Chilliwack Lake Rd.
Chilliwack, BC

Directions to Site: Directions to the Chilliwack Fish & Game Club; 48685 Chilliwack Lake Rd: From Hwy 1, take exit #119, Vedder Rd, drive 5km south through Sardis. Just before the Vedder River bridge, turn left and stay on Chilliwack Lake Rd for 7 km. Just past Thompson Regional Park you will see the Fire Hall on your left. The Fish and Game Club driveway is just past the Fire Hall across from the Pointa Vista convenience store.

DREGATE HEAVY CHAMPIONSHIP

Greetings from Clan MacLean

Date: Oct. 22, 2006

Location: Tonasket City Park, Tonasket, WA

Times:

Armor Inspection Begins: 10 am

Lists Open: 10am

Lists Close: 12 pm

Tourney begins: 1 pm

Format: Ransom Style Tournament (Instructions on competition and rules of engagement will be held at beginning of tournament)

Primary rules for entering the lists:

1. Member or Honorary member of Dregateshire
2. Current Blue Card
3. Current Heavy Fighter Card
4. One entry to the A & S Table (no documentation necessary, nor does it have to be complete, or of your own making, but an entry must be made to enter the tourney)

If you have any questions of me, feel free to email or call squire_lachlan@yahoo.com Bryan McLean (509) 322-5259 or (509) 422-2475

See you there!

Lachlan MacLean,
Squire to Tanist Sir Ulfgar Thorvaldsson, Heir to the Storm
Thrones of Tir Righ Heavy Champion, Dregateshire
Marshall, Dregateshire



Youth Arts and Science Competition

This year, some of the youth of Dregate have expressed a desire to have an Arts and Science Competition. This will be held at the same time as the Heavy/ A&S Championship. At this point, there will not be a Youth Champion, but rather a Winner of the Competition chosen by populace choice for the entry that impresses us as the one most worthy recognition. Sometimes these can be hard to call, and to encourage entries, all youth participants will receive a prize just for going to the work of entering a period project.

Parents and sponsors may encourage and guide, but the project must be the work of the youth's own hands. S.C.A. membership not required. Documentation is not required, but if there is information to show where the idea came from, that would be most helpful to the populace.

Greetings,

It brings me great honor to bring the news that Sir Ulfgar, our very OWN Sir Ulfgar has won the Tir Righ Coronet this weekend, and he and his Lady Reneé are the next heirs to the throne of Tir Righ.

Hip hip huzzah!!!!

Their Investiture is November 17-19 in Chilliwack, Canada. Carpool, anyone?

Yis,
Oso



It is that time of Year again for Dregate's **Hour of Anarchy**. Listed below are the offices that will be available please refresh yourself of the offices available. All are encouraged to come.

The **Seneschal** is the legal representative of a branch. Seneschals sign all contracts, make sure that things are done pursuant to the restrictions of all modern laws, corpora and kingdom law, work with the chatelaines to handle all public relations, and normally conduct the business meetings/curia. The seneschals coordinate activities with other branch officers. They are required to be on the branch's financial committee.



Exchequers are responsible for maintaining the financial records of their branch and for ensuring that all funds are spent to further the Society's non-profit, educational purpose. Branch Exchequers must maintain permanent, detailed books and records of all financial activity. All records must be retained for at least seven years. They are required to be on the branch's financial committee.

Heralds are responsible for being available to the populace for heraldic assistance. They are also responsible for organizing court, field, and announcement heraldry at local events. Part of their job is to help members of the branch choose their names and design their devices, in accordance with SCA criteria.

Constables are responsible for safety of the populace at large at events sponsored by their branch. A constable's primary duty is to see that participants have a more enjoyable time because the site is safer, and participants who jeopardize this are dealt with in a friendly but firm manner.

Marshals are responsible for making sure that all S.C.A. combat is conducted safely. They know the ABC's of fighting and help teach them to new fighters, they make sure fighters are carded and that waivers are signed at practices and sent to the waiver secretary of An Tir.

Iron Key is an office under Marshal, and is responsible for the care and storage of loaner fighting equipment.

Arts and Sciences Officers facilitate S.C.A. members in their artistic and scientific endeavors. They do this by being a resource, arranging to have classes taught on diverse subjects, holding competitions and finding other ways to inspire people's interest in the arts and sciences.



Chroniclers are responsible for producing newsletters which keep SCA members informed about events and activities within the area that the newsletter services and which educate their readers about aspects of the middle ages.

Chatelaine is responsible for providing an introduction to the Current Middle Ages to new or prospective members, for advising newcomers of the conventions of the Society, their Kingdom and branch, and for encouraging participation in the Society. The Chatelaine can provide access to educational information such as handouts, booklets and other materials. The Chatelaine, along with the Seneschal should be aware of any publicity about the SCA group.

Gold Key is responsible for loaner garb at events for newcomers. They also store it and clean it in between events. They are an office under the guidance of Chatelaine.



Chirurgeons provide voluntary first aid at local events and offer help at Kingdom events they attend.

Waterbearers supply water at local events and assist the Kingdom Waterbearers at Crown and Kingdom Events. They are an office under the guidance of Chirurgeons.

Lists confirm that all combatants have fighter authorization cards; arrange and record the pairing of fighters at tournaments and demonstrations.

Chief Archers are responsible for ensuring that missile combat and target archery activities occur safely in their branch. A Branch Chief Archer must be, at minimum, a warranted junior light marshal. Branch archers are responsible for making sure that scores shot in their branch are turned in to the appropriate person within 30 days after they are shot.

Rapier Marshals, also sometimes known as Branch Master of Swords, are responsible for ensuring that rapier combat occur safely in their branch. They are required to be at a minimum warranted junior rapier marshals.

Duties of Branch **Equestrian Officers** include maintaining records of qualified riders in the local branch, being familiar with the An Tir Equestrian Handbook, sending insurance request copies to the Kingdom Equestrian Officer and informing the KEO of all equestrian events in your area.

Gamesmasters teach games, play games, hold games nights and conduct gaming tournaments.

Dean of Pages provide educational and enjoyable period activities for children ages twelve to seventeen at local events. They identify and plan appropriate activities, games, classes and workshops for young people. Branch Deans provide guidance for all youths within their branch, regardless of enrollment status as members of the College of Pages. They organize and participate in the rank challenges.



Pied Pipers are responsible for organizing younger children's activities at S.C.A. events. They are not babysitters.

Grete Boke keeps track of the history of their branch so this important part of what we are is not lost.