

# *THE MUDPUDDY*



*The Newsletter of  
the Barony of Settmour Swamp*

*April A.S. XLII*

# Calendar of Events

## April 2008

- 9 Baronial business meeting at the home of Eric L'Claire at 7:30PM.
- 12 (RP) **Coronation of Conrad and Brenwen, Crown Province of Ostgardr, Mt Kisco, NY**
- 13 Weapons practice, archery, Flemington, NJ, 1:30 PM
- 15 Marwick meeting and dance practice, 7:15 PM, Cranford
- 16 Tir Mynydd meeting, Hope, NJ, 7:30 PM
- 19 (RP) **Balfar's Challenge, Barony of Dragonship Haven, Meriden, CT**
- 24 Weapons practice, archery, Flemington, NJ, 1:30 PM
- 25 (RP) **Spring Crown Tourney, Shire of Lyndhaven, Oromocto, NB, Canada**
- 25 *Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions*
- 26 Spring Thynges V, Irish Myths and Legends, Shire of Caer Adamant, Middletown, DE
- 27 Gryphonwald meeting

## May 2008

- 2-4 (RP) **Southern Region Spring War Practice, Shire of Owlsherst, York Haven, PA**
- 10 (RP) **Ice Falcon's Ducal Challenge/King & Queen's Heavy Weapons Championships, Shire of Barren Sands, Elmer, NJ**
- 11 Weapons practice, archery, Flemington, NJ, 1:30 PM
- 14 Baronial business meeting, 7:30 PM
- 15 Nova Schola, Shire of Hartshorn Dale, Blue Bell, PA
- 17-18 West Windsor Lions Renaissance Faire X, Barony of Carillion, West Windsor, NJ
- 20 Marwick meeting and dance practice, 7:15 PM, Cranford
- 21 Tir Mynydd meeting, Hope, NJ, 7:30 PM
- 23-25 **The Quest for Wit and Wisdom, Neshanic Station, NJ**
- 23-26 (RP) **War of the Roses XXVIII, Barony of Concordia of the Snows, Mariaville, NY**
- 25 *Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions*



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D<sub>o</sub> B<sub>aroness</sub> R<sub>hiannon</sub> and B<sub>aron</sub> A<sub>lexander</sub> S<sub>end</sub> G<sub>reetings</sub>

Spring is here and the mud has officially been declared thawed. Thanks to everyone who made this year's Mudthaw a huge success, the Autocrat trio (Cassandra, Alexander and Eric), the Cooks (Asa, Quinn and Riordan), and the many, many people it takes to run an event of this size. Thank you all.

April looks to be a very busy month. First up on the calendar for Rhiannon and Alexander will be the Coronation of Konrad and Branwen on April 12, in upstate NY. Come with us and welcome the East's newest King and Queen.

After that will be Black Gryphon Inn and the Viking Demo on April 19th. Yes, that's right, two things happening on one day. Due to a scheduling discrepancy, we will be dividing our forces and attacking on two fronts...er, I mean dividing our resources and attending both events. Alexander will be at BGI and Rhiannon will join the Vikings for the day. So come on out and play at whichever you choose.

There will be two fighter practices in April, on the 13th and the 27th. We've rescheduled the Settmour Swamp Favor workshop and the Pre-Pennsic Planning meeting to the 27th. So join us in Flemington as often as you can. The 27th will also see another Hafla in the Afternoon, hosted by the Ladies Morgaine and Lydia. These have been so much fun, we want to keep them going.

Future months activities will include a trip to the Cloisters on May 10th, more fighter practices and workshops, Quest on Memorial Day weekend and a Cooking Collegium on June 28. The barony of Settmour Swamp never rests. So Happy Spring and Play on!

YIS,

*Rhiannon and Alexander*



## *New Baronial Officers Elected*

At the March baronial business meeting, the following offices changed hands:

Lord Erec l'Claire was elected seneschal, replacing Master Phillip the Facetious.

Lord Aodhan O'Dunlaing was elected Knight Marshal, replacing Baron Cullynn mac Kinnon

Lord Owynn Greenwood was elected Fencing Marshall, replacing Engracia de Madrigal who was acting marshall.

The barony thanks the outgoing officers for their dedication and service and congratulates the incoming officers.

## *Notice of Officer Elections*

At the May Baronial business meeting the officers will select a baronial Chatelaine and a baronial Chirurgeon.

The Chatelaine is the 'Public Relations' officer. He/she will be in direct contact with the 'modern world.' In particular, functioning as the primary contact for demos.

The Baronial Chirurgeon is in charge of First Aid. He/she arranges First Aid at Baronial events.  
*Note: the candidate(s) must be a warranted chirurgeon at the time he/she accepts the office.*

All gentles interested in running for either of these positions must be present at the May business meeting. Candidates will have the opportunity to address the Baronial officers and answer questions at the meeting.

Prior to the meeting, please reference Section II of the Policies & Procedures Manual at [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/settmour\\_swamp/files/Official% 20Documents/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/settmour_swamp/files/Official%20Documents/)

Please e-mail the Seneschal, Lord Erec L'Claire, prior to the meeting with your intention to seek the office.

## *Officer Reports Presented at the March Business Meeting*

### **Arts & Sciences**

I have acquired the fabric and floss for Brenwen's favors. I didn't want to publish the availability of kits before I had them ready. I will be posting the request to all the lists later this evening and handing out kits as they are requested.

Our very own Sofia took 3rd place in the Northern Lights Pentathlon. Yay Sofia!!!!

I submitted the proposal for the Period Sheep to Shawl to the Kingdom Mistress of A&S and am awaiting a reply.

I have placed the Artist of the Month column on hold. Over the next few months I will spend time hunting down, ummmm, persuading possible candidates to finish interviews. I hope that the column will be back in a month or two.

I hope to be at the meeting tonight. If I'm not, then Antonio had to work late and I will see you all another time. As always, please call or email if you have any questions for me.

### **Captain of Archers**

Nothing much happening with archery. We had a class on targets designs in February at the Sunday practice and the Mudthaw shoot is almost done.

### **Chancellor Minor**

Mudthaw will be focusing on castles with many castle related activities. I also have a small trebuchet (powered by Ayden & Nicolaus) that could be used outdoors if space permits (I also have a small tower to use as a target). Quest will be a "cleaning out the bins" with many of the "leftovers" from past events making a reappearance to keep the kids busy all weekend. Quest will also be Brianna's "last hurrah" as Chancellor Minor.

### **Chatelaine**

Viking Demo information. Come join the fun! VIKING DAY At NOR-BU LODGE, 21 Oslo Drive, Lake Telemark, Rockaway, NJ on Saturday, April 19 from 12:00 noon till 4:00 PM. Viking food! Viking games! Viking crafts! Viking re-enactors! Music and more! Fun for the whole family! Free admission! \*Nominal charge for food and beverages. Contact person: Kari Brescher, 973-627-6334.

### **Chirurgion**

As far as I know, the populace of Settmour Swamp has stayed safe and uninjured in the month of February. Again, so far as I know, no Settmour chirurgions have served at events outside the Barony.

### **Knight Marshall**

Things are going well, practices running smoothly. It's been fun.

### **Webmistress**

Once again, website is updated to include a new month. I removed practices that people have asked me to remove, added ones that people have asked me to add, and sent in a report to the Kingdom Web Minister.

I have also changed the MOAS email addresses to MAS (in the email links on the site as well) to help rectify a spam problem.

# Black Gryphon Inn... Past and Present

## April 19th, 2008



As the long harsh winter turns to flowers and warmth, come join the Canton of Gryphonwald to spread the spring cheer at the Black Gryphon Inn. This year we will be returning to our traditional roots with a tavern-style theme, including a scrumptious pub feast provided by Matta a'Bheithir and in a new site surrounded by lush gardens.

Black Gryphon Inn will be held at the Log Cabin in the Rutgers Gardens, located just off the Rutgers New Brunswick campus. We will be hosting both an A&S and Brewing Competition, as is custom. Also, weather permitting, we will be holding heavy weapons, fencing and thrown weapons competitions. Entertainment for our feast is not only welcome but also much appreciated. Anyone interested should contact Failenn, co-autocrat, at [megles193@aol.com](mailto:megles193@aol.com).

The new site does allow alcoholic beverages for consumption only. Feast menus will be presented at the event, including a list of all ingredients. If you have any questions about food allergies prior to the event, contact Failenn at [megles193@aol.com](mailto:megles193@aol.com)

### **Directions:**

#### **From the New Jersey Turnpike:**

Take NJ Turnpike to EXIT 9 (New Brunswick). follow signs for ROUTE 18 North. Take ROUTE 18 North to ROUTE 1 South. Take ROUTE 1 South to SECOND EXIT (Ryders Lane - East Brunswick). Move into left lane and take FIRST possible LEFT onto Log Cabin Road. Follow Log Cabin Road into The Rutgers Gardens.

#### **From Route 287:**

Take ROUTE 287 South to EXIT 9 (River Road), at the end of Exit, make RIGHT onto River Road. Follow River Road to intersection of ROUTE 18 South. Make a right onto ROUTE 18 South. Take ROUTE 18 South through New Brunswick to ROUTE 1 South. Take ROUTE 1 South to SECOND EXIT (Ryders Lane - East Brunswick). Move into left lane and take FIRST possible LEFT onto Log Cabin Road. Follow Log Cabin Road into The Rutgers Garden.

#### **From Route 1 North:**

Take ROUTE 1 North, pass through the intersection with ROUTE 130 and get into right lane. Go past the entrance for the DeVry Institute and take the first RYDERS LANE exit (East Brunswick). Move into left lane and take FIRST possible LEFT onto Log Cabin Road. Follow Log Cabin Road into The Rutgers Garden

**Site:**

Log Cabin, Rutgers Gardens  
112 Ryders Lane  
New Brunswick, NJ 08903  
Site Opens: 11:30 AM  
Site Closes: 6:00 PM

**Site Fees:**

\$12.00 for adults; \$11.00 for children 17 years old and younger. Children under 3 years of age are free. This site fee includes feast. Minors on site must be supervised at all times. If a minor does not have a blue SCA membership card, then a minor waiver signed by a parent or guardian must be presented at troll. Copies of the minor waiver form are available on-line at <http://www.sca.org> and will be available at the event.

**Please send reservation payments to:**

Ryan Brogan  
2 Maple St., Apt. 2  
New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Please make checks payable to "SCA, Inc - Barony of Settmour Swamp" with "Black Gryphon Inn" as a note on the check. Site fees and merchant fees will be refunded if your request is received before the event. All refunds will be paid by check from the Baronial bank account; refunds requested on the day of event will be mailed out.

**Contact:**

Failenn Finn (mka Megan Geyer)  
[megles193@aol.com](mailto:megles193@aol.com)  
(732) 543-1745



## ***Practices and Activities***

### **Archery Practice**

Second and fourth Sunday, St. Paul's Church, Flemington, NJ.

October thru April weekends in Pittstown at the home of Elizabeth Hawkwood. Anyone wanting to shoot, please contact her at [hawkwoode@att.net](mailto:hawkwoode@att.net) or call 908-996-6315 for directions and information.

### **Arts & Sciences Activities**

Third Wednesday, 7:30 PM, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 346 High Street (Rt 609), Hope, NJ.  
Contact [fafnir62@yahoo.com](mailto:fafnir62@yahoo.com) for information.

### **Dance Practice**

Third Tuesday, 7:15 PM. The Canton of Marwick hosts practice at the Calvary Lutheran Church in Cranford. Anyone who would like to learn medieval/renaissance dances, whether you live in the Barony or a neighboring group, is welcome to attend.

### **Fencing Practice**

Thursdays from 7:30PM to 10:00PM, Somerset, NJ. Location is Maestro Fencing, 217 W Main St, Somerville, NJ 08876 There is a \$3.00 site fee to cover the cost of using the facility. Contact Sebastian Estevan de Xavier for more information via email at [Xavier1101@yahoo.com](mailto:Xavier1101@yahoo.com) or call 732-742-8882.

### **Youth Fighter Practice**

Currently not scheduled. Please contact Angus Sutherland at 908-284-2614 or email him at [minor@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org](mailto:minor@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org) for current information.

### **Settmour Swamp Fighter Practice**

Wednesdays 6:30PM to 10:00PM, Nutley, NJ. A \$5.00 donation is requested to help defray the cost of the site rental. If you have questions, please email Sir Tanaka Raiko at [salvacion\\_hank@hotmail.com](mailto:salvacion_hank@hotmail.com). If you get lost, Tanaka's pager is 201-232-9337.

Thursdays, 7:30PM to 9:30PM, St. Paul's Church, Flemington, NJ.



## *Directions to Practices*

### **Youth Fighter Practice - St. Paul's Church, Flemington**

St Paul's is on Rt. 31 in Flemington, next door to the Hunterdon Medical Center, two miles north of the Flemington Circle. Directions are on line or contact Angus Sutherland at 908-284-2614 or email [minor@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org](mailto:minor@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org)

### **Fighter Practice - Reformed Church of Nutley, Nutley**

The church is on Hillside Crescent, Nutley, NJ. Directions are on line or contact Sir Tanaka Reiko at [salvacion\\_hank@hotmail.com](mailto:salvacion_hank@hotmail.com).

### **Fencing Practice – Maestro Fencing, Somerset**

Maestro Fencing is at 217 W Main St, Somerville, NJ 08876 Directions are available on line or contact Sebastian Estevan de Xavier via email at [Xavier1101@yahoo.com](mailto:Xavier1101@yahoo.com) or call 732-742-8882.

**Dance Practice - Calvary Lutheran Church, Cranford.** The church is at 108 Eastman Street (on the corner of Eastman and Holly) For information and directions contact Jessa at [mlecin@gmail.com](mailto:mlecin@gmail.com) or call her at 732-563-1029.



## *Baronial Business Meeting*

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 9 at 7:30 PM. For directions and more information, contact the baronial seneschal via email or phone 908-319-1847 for more details.

## *From the Canton of Gryphonwald*

Gryphonwald meetings are held the fourth Sunday of the month. Contact the Gryphonwald seneschal, Lord Pippin a'Bheithir at [gryphonwald@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org](mailto:gryphonwald@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org) for details.

## *From the Canton of Marwick*

This month Marwick will be meeting on Tuesday, April 15 at 7:15 PM. For more details, contact Jessa at [mlecin@gmail.com](mailto:mlecin@gmail.com) or call her at 732-563-1029.

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<b>Youth Combat:</b> Vacant	

