

The Mudpuppy

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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE BARONY OF SETTMOUR SWAMP

Letter From The Coronets

Settmour Swamp Attend!

As the East kingdom returns in triumph from the Pennsic Wars and find our Barony in good stead, the first crops ripening, and peace and prosperity across the land. For this we thank those of you who kept the home fires burning bright.

For Pennsic, a great army must be amassed and many from our Barony rose to the call of the East's battle cries.

On the heavy field our own Baron Brennan mac Fearghus, Lord Ionnes Serpentious, Lords Turi and Gavin MacKinnon, and Lord Eric Hundeman fought on the unbelted champions team. At the end of the battle Baron Brennan received a writ from our Majesties to be elevated to knighthood. On the

belted champions team his Grace Omega, Pan Jan Janowicz Bogdanski, Sir Douglas Henry, and Syr Culann mac Cianain answered the battle call. Our Baronial Heavy Weapons Champion Theobald Havoc comported himself well in the Known World Baronial Champions tourney as we watched and cheered him on.

Lord Ionnes and Baron Brennan yet again entered the field in the Heroic Champions battle.

Don Emeline Patterson served as Southern Region Commander for Rapier, and Don Owynn Greenwood, Don Orlando Sforza, and Lord Sean McPhearson all competed in one on one tourneys for the Rapier Champions tourney. Orlando's bout made history as the first ever cut-and-thrust champions bout against a native of Calontir as a champion (their King, none-the-less). Sir Antonio marshaled the tourney while Don Malcolm Bowman heralded the tourney.

On the archery front, Master Phillip Reed, Lord Þórlæifr hvitskegg, Lord Magnus Fra Jorvik, Baroness Elizabeth Hawkwood, and your Baroness Jehannine competed on the champions teams along side our Majesties Gregor and Kiena. Throughout these and many of the other battles many members or our Barony took the field and fought gallantly, and deserve worthy praise for their good deeds.

As Pennsic is more than just battles, many of our populace taught and displayed their knowledge through classes and the A&S display. Those that displayed included Lady Vivianne Dunbar, Lady Vika Gingina z Prahy, Lady Judith bas Rabbi Mendel, Lord Galefridus Pelegrinus, Lady Constanza Maria Colonna, Lady Caterina Giaocchini, and your Baron Erec. Many of these gentles and others also taught so others in the known world could expand their knowledge base.

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Thank you to our escorts and retainers, especially those who joined us for tourneys, opening ceremonies, Runnymede dinner, and East Kingdom court. We enjoyed your company, and your presence in these roles, and you demonstrated the significance and vitality of our Barony. We were also delighted to see that Baroness Caoilfhionn inghean Fhaoillain received the Queen's Honor of Distinction for her photography in East kingdom Court. Also of note is Treannah's work as Herald.

Settmour Swamp encampment owes much to all who camped there; everyone who did a chore; and especially Vika Gingina z Prahy & Elizabeth Talbot who kept all running smoothly; Orvarg and company for staying to the bitter end and making sure all was up to snuff; Don and Lindsey of Alexandria, and all the tower building and breakdown crew, the trailer-loading-gang; Jon Renwick ah Bheithir, Thalia and Megara for the party planing and those awesome decorations.

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Erec and Jehanine

August Officers Report

Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2013

Recording Scribe: Antonio

Attending Officers:

Erec - Baron
Jehannine - Baroness
Malcolm - Chatelaine
Thorlief - Archery
Ceara - MoL
Rhiannon - Deputy Chamberlain
Caterina - A&S
Galfridius - Deputy A&S
Charitye - Deputy Chatelain/Herald
Dalek - Webminister
Brennan - Knight Marshal
Faelinn - Gryphonwald Seneschal

Past Events

- The Baronial field trip to the New York Botanical Gardens was a great success, attracting approximately a dozen residents and friends of the Swamp.
- Pennsic happened. The Exchequer received funds and an accounting from the land agent for the Baronial encampment, including a refund of all money previously advanced for the running of the encampment, plus approximately \$174. A discussion was hard concerning management of the encampment.

Officer's Report Continued

Future Events

- A formal bid proposal for a Day of Champions event to be held in South Plainfield on Sunday October 27 was approved by the officers prior to the meeting. Antonio reported on preparations for the event.
- Malcolm and Rhiannon are coordinating on a possible demo at a bookstore in Frenchtown, to be held November or December.
- Galefridus has agreed to autocrat a Southern Region Scriptorium, to be held in Jan/ Feb 2014. He is currently investigating sites.
- 4H Ren Faire demo is on track but fencers and archers are needed for Saturday.
- Rhiannon is considering a Swamp Swap/Newcomers' Schola, to be held in the Spring.

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Officers And Offices

- I) The term for Exchequer has expired. Ryan has indicated that he will remain in the position month-to-month until a replacement can be found.
- 2) Rhiannon has applied for Chamberlain; this appointment will be subject to a vote at the September meeting.
- 3) An application for Herald was received from Charitye; this appointment will be subject to a vote at the September meeting.

Cantons

Gryphonwald

-- BGI is being planned for Winter 2013. Formal bid to follow.

Old Business

- Antonio proposed a change to Baronial policy, to delete section VIII(A)(3) (requiring that bids for events be submitted six months prior to proposed date) in order to provide greater flexibility in planning smaller events. This change would not affect bids for Mudthaw and Quest, which still must be submitted six months in advance (as required by Baronial Policy Sec. VIII(B)(1)). This proposal will be subject to a vote at the September meeting.
- Erec proposed a field trip to the Red Mill in Clinton for its Blacksmiths' Hammer-In on September 15th.

New Business

- Malcolm has once again been approached by a nursing home in Parsippany to organize a potential demo.
- Applications for Mudthaw autocrat will be considered at the September meeting.

Future Meeting Hosts:

Sept. II -- TBD

Warren County 4H Renaissance Faire DEMO Sept.. 7-8, 2013

Calling all Swampies, neighbors and friends. Mark your calendars and save the weekend of Sept. 7-8, for the Warren County 4H Renaissance Faire. The

Barony of Settmour Swamp has been invited to participate in this fundraiser

for the local 4H student exchange program. This will be our fourth third year of

partnering with them to build it into a premier event for Northern and Central New Jersey.

Where: Warren County Farmers Fairgrounds, Rt. 519, Harmony, NJ (3 miles no.

of Phillipsburg)

When: Sat. I Iam-6pm, Sun. I Iam-5pm. Set up Friday - contact us for details.

Fees: None if part of the Swamp Demo group - call or email Baroness Rhiannon at 908-574-5658/ sewho7@comcast.net.

Come in garb and show your SCA membership card at the gate.

Camping: Available in separate, safe compound area adjacent to fair for non-period camping. On site camping in period tents also allowed.

Food: Available from fair vendors or bring period food to share with our group. We will have a communal cooking fire for the demo. Talk with Rhiannon if you want to cook something.

What: We are looking for volunteers and coordinators for the following: Heavy Weapons, Fencing, Thrown Weapons, Archery, Dancing and Singing, Fiber Arts, Calligraphy, Blacksmithing, etc. Any period art, craft or activity that lends itself to

having the fair goers try it out would be especially desirable (obviously that does not include the martial

arts, those they can watch).

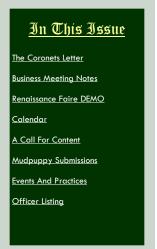
Only period tents, period furniture and accoutrements will be allowed on the fair grounds. This is to be an educational endeavor as well as an entertaining one.

Vendors: are also most welcome. Check the website or contact me for an application form.

Demo Coordinator: Baroness Rhiannon de Carreg Cennen .

Please call or email to sign up or with any questions.

Also, check out the Faire's website: www.warren4-hrenfaire.org.



September 2013

BARONIAL CALENDAR EVENT DETAILS, TIMES, DIRECTIONS AND ORGANIZER INFO ARE AVAILABLE HERE

SUN	AON	THE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Martial Practice: Heavy Weapons Martial Practice: Archery	2 Labor Day	3	4 Martial Practice: Heavy Weapons	5 Martial Practice: Fencing	6	7 Warren County 4H Renaissance Faire
B Warren County 44) Renaissance Faire Martial Practice: Heavy Weapons Martial Practice: Archery	9	10	11 Martial Practice: Heavy Weapons Baronial Business Heeting	12 Martial Practice: Fencing	13	14
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A Call For Content

Help Make The Mudpuppy The Best Newsletter in The Known World

Are you involved in a project?

What we are looking for?

- **Period Projects**
- Articles
- Stories
- Songs
- Poems
- Recipes
- **Pictures**
- Scrolls
- Artwork
- **Demo Listing**
- Event Listings Award and Scroll Notifications

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We want to hear about everything you and your household is working on.

In addition we are very interested in seeing what projects you are working on, whether it is the first suit of armor you are putting together, a tourney you fought or on the other end of the spectrum some thread you made with a drop spindle.

The only way to increase the interest in our arts is to show them to our own members and the public in demos. If you have any questions please email the **Chronicler**.

If you are looking to submit content to the Mudpuppy for consideration of inclusion for publication. Please read

over the submission release requirements on the next page. These are requirements that we are held to by the east Kingdom of the Society for Creative Anachronism, the Corporate office of the Society of Creative Anachronism.

Wilhelm van Utrecht

The East Kingdom of the SCA and the Mudpuppy of Settmour Swamp's Content Submission

The Monthly Content Submission Cutoff from the Mudpuppy is the **15th** day in any given month for submission for the next month's issue.

We must adhere to the East Kingdom of the Society for Creative Anachronism and Corporate Office of the Society for Creative Anachronism's policies re-garding obtaining releases from contributors for inclusion of their works and contact information.

Here is a link to the East Kingdom of the Society for Creative Anachronism policies that revolve around this matter.

EK Local Chronicler Policies

Creative Release:

The creative release is available in the Yahoo Mudpuppy Group uploaded files.

If you are submitting content, whether that be in the form of an article or a picture, you must also include an executed release per the East Kingdom Chronicler guidelines. While this may seem burdensome, it is to protect the copyrights of all individuals and to respect their privacy. If you are providing written content, you must provide an executed creative release.

Photographer and Model Releases:

The photographer release and model release is available in the Yahoo Mudpuppy Group uploaded files.

If you are submitting a photo, you must submit both the: photographer and model release. Please do not submit photos without model releases of all photo participants.

Name and Contact Release:

If you would like your contact information included as an attribution to your work, you must email the Chronicler and tell him what contact information you are allowing us to publish with your work.

Name and contact information will **NOT** be published unless you provide written release of such via e-mail and instruct the Chronicler what information you want published. A scanned, legible, fully executed release and original work may be sent to:

chronicler@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org

Submissions And Releases

Submissions to the Mudpuppy without the correct executed releases will not be published as they do not conform to the <u>EK Local Chronicler Policies</u>. The Mudpuppy must also conform to society level chronicler policies to remain in compliance.

Please provide the correct releases with your content. Question in regard to these matters may be directed to the Chronicler.



Rapier Practice

Thursdays

7:30-10:00 PM The Edison Moose Lodge

401 Talmadge Rd. Edison, NJ 08817

A \$3.00 donation is requested to help defray the cost of the site rental. If you have questions, contact Don Edmund Patterson: clost95@aol.com

Archery Practice

Archery practice Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at the home of Elizabeth Hawkwood. Please contact Baroness Elizabeth at hawkwoode@gmail.com for details and directions.

Archery Practice And Thrown Weapons Bractice

Sundays, 1:00 to 4:00 PM The home of Maîtresse Jehannine de Flandres & Master Phillip the Facetious

310 Milford-Warren Glen Rd. (Rt. 519), Milford, NJ 08848 (908) 995-4417

Please contact the hosts to ensure practice is happening.

Upcoming Events And Demos

East Kingdom
Event Calendar

The Feast of John Barleycorn Dead or Alive

River Wars IV

<u>Lakewood</u> <u>Ren Faire XXXII</u>

Warren County 4H
Renaissance Faire
DEMO

Ghosts Ghouls
And Goblins

100 Minutes War

If you would like to see a specific event or demo listed here, then please e-mail the event or demo details and it's online web page address to the chronicler.



Baronial Business Meetings

2nd Wednesday of the Month. Location varies. Please contact the seneschal for location and directions.

Armored Combat Practice

Wednesday: 6:30-10:00PM Franklin Reformed Church 45 Hillside Crescent, Nutley, NJ 07110.

A \$5.00 donation is requested to help defray the cost of the site rental. If you have questions, contact Sir Douglas Henry at:

rayotd@yahoo.com or

551-206-1724.

Sundays, 12:00 - 3:00 PM Edi- son Moose Lodge 410 Talmadge Road Edison, New Jersey 08817

Please check the Settmour Swamp Yahoo group so make sure Sunday practices are be- ing held.

Contact Ragnarr via e-mail at: ragnarr1001@aol.com or call 908-839-0349 for more info.

Links:

The Barony Of Settmour Swamp Settmour Swamp On Facebook Settmour Rapier On Facebook Canton of Gryphonwald East Kingdom Website

The Officers Of Settmour Swamp Baron Erec L'Claire Invested March 2013 Baron baron@settmourswamp.eastkinadom.ora Term Expires: March 2016 (908) 268-0725 (before 9pm) Invested March 2013 Baroness Baroness Jehannine de Flandres baroness@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Term Expires: March 2016 (908) 319-0765 Seneschal Sir Antonio Patrasso (Adam Steinfeld) Invested March 2013 seneschal@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Term Expires: March 2016 (732) 207-9657 (before 10PM) **Sinking Tower Pursivant** Lord Abdullah Elected March 2013 herald@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Expired: March 2015 **Knight Marshal** Elected: March 2012 Baron Brennan mac Fearahus Term Expires: March 2014 marshal@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Term Expired: Feb. 2013 **Exchequer** Ryan (Acting) exchequer@settmourswamp.eastkinadom.ora (Acting) Month to Month Lord Wilhelm van Utrecht Chronicler Elected: March 2013 chronicler@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Term Expires: March 2015 Chirurgeon Flected March 2013 Miles chirurgeon@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Expired: March 2015 Web Minister Renewed: November 2012 Dalek Bolotnikov webmaster@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Term Expires: Nov. 2014 Mistress of A&S Caterina Giaocchini Elected: October 2012 mas@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Term Expires: October 2014 Mistress of The Lists (MoL) Elected Mar. 2013 Lady Ceara MacKieran mol@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Term Expires Mar. 2015 Chatelaine THI Malcolm Bowman Flected Feb. 2013 Term chatelaine@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Expires Feb, 2015 Marshal of Fence Elected March Lady Jehane de Fenwyk 2012 fencing@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Term Expires March 2014 Thrown Weapons Vacant Captain of Archers Lord Thorlaeifr Hvitskegg Renewed: October 2012 archery@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Term Expires: October 2014 (908) 406-0143 (No calls after 9:00 pm) Renewed: November 2012 Chamberlain Lady Gudrun Gudmunderdottir chamberlain@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org Term Expires: Nov. 2014 **Chancelors Minor** Vacant

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Current Datant Officer Positions: Chancelors Minor & Marshal of Thrown Weapons

Many Hands Make Light Work

Running a barony, canton or an event such as: Twelfth Night, Mudthaw, Quest, or even Black Gryphon Inn takes a lot of work. There are many positions where volunteers are needed. From decorating the hall and setting up chairs, to cleaning up after the event, the more people who pitch in, the better the event is for everyone. Volunteers are needed to help with

