

THE MUDPUPPY



*The Newsletter of
the Barony of Settmour Swamp*

September A.S. XLIII

Calendar of Events

September 2008

- 5 – 7 (RP)** **John Barleycorns Olympiad Competitions, Northpass (Putnam County, NY)**
10 Baronial Officers' meeting, St. Luke's Church, Hope, NJ 7:30 PM
12-14 (RP) **EK War College and King & Queen's Rapier Championship, Iron Bog, (Williamstown, NJ)**
14 Weapons practice, archery, Flemington, NJ, 1:30 PM
16 Canton of Marwick meeting, Calvary Lutheran Church, Cranford, NJ, 7:15 PM
17 Tyr Myndd meeting, Hope, NJ, 7:30 PM
19-21 XVIII Lakewood Renaissance Faire, Carillion (Lakewood, NJ)
19-21 East Kingdom Chivalry Retreat, Barren Sands (Alloway, NJ)
25 *Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions*
27 (RP) **Coronation of Darius and Alethea, Carolingia, (Lexington, MA)**
28 Weapons practice, archery, Flemington, NJ, 1:30 PM

October 2008

- 12 Baronial Officers' meeting, St. Paul's Church, Flemington, NJ
10-12 Ghosts, Ghouls and Goblins, Carillion (Manalapan, NJ)
17-19 Warrior's Naadam II, Ostgardr (Carmel, NY)
12 Canton of Marwick meeting, Calvary Lutheran Church (Cranford, NJ), 7:15 PM
25 *Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions*
25 (RP) **Crown Tournament, Glen Linn (Lake George, NY)**

About This Month's Cover

The cover photograph features the new East Kingdom entry pavilion for the EK Royal Encampment at Pennsic.





Unto the **G**ood **G**entles of **S**ettmour **S**wamp **D**o **R**hiannon and **A**lexander
Send **G**reetings,

It's been a very busy summer so far and we hope everyone is enjoying this splendid weather. Before Pennsic we had a last minute project that needed to be done and we would like to thank Stephie, Rahnveig and Padraig for helping us get a batch of Queen's favors completed in time for us to present them to Her Majesty the first week of war. She was very pleased and grateful.

For those of you who could not make Pennsic, you were missed but we had a great time in your honor. The weather was the best we can ever remember and everything went pretty well. Thank you Tami for being Camp Mommy once again. Thanks to Andrea (the Red) for running the Swamp Night party. Even His Majesty was there and having fun. Thanks to everyone who helped out to do the many chores that always need doing, especially Vicki, Padraig, Pippin and Eric for doing a major part of breaking down camp. Check the Swamp Camp yahoo group for ideas for next year and add your voice to the discussions. We still want a gate, a sheet wall and a tall gas light/torch for the party area. And in other Pennsic news, Rhiannon went shopping.

Fighter, fencer and archery practices at Flemington have resumed. Check the schedule for exact times and dates and to make sure a specific activity is happening, but generally things get going about 1:30PM every 2nd and 4th Sunday and go till about 4:30-5:00. We will also continue with indoor workshops, such as making favors, tabards and baldrics for the Swamp, designing our sheet wall for Pennsic, garb making and other things that people may want to do. Send us your suggestions and we will try to accommodate them.

Victorian Days, a demo we attend every year, is the weekend of September 6-7 and we need everyone who possibly can to help us out. We need fighters, fencers, craftspeople, or just SCAdians in garb to talk to people about the SCA. Please contact Morgaine or Gabi if you can come. It's a fun one and they love us.

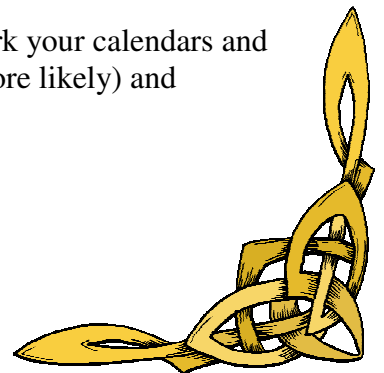
Our next field trip will be on October 18 to the J.P.Morgan Library in NYC. Located in midtown Manhattan at Madison Avenue and 36th Street, the Morgan houses one of the world's greatest collections of artistic, literary, and musical works, from ancient times to the medieval and Renaissance periods to the present day. We plan to do as we have for our previous excursions (to the Met. Museum and the Cloisters) and find our own transportation to the museum and meet at the front entrance when it opens. We usually stay together and drift into smaller groups several times during the day as the spirit takes us and we usually regroup for lunch. And then of course Rhiannon can usually be found in the gift shop. Let Rhiannon or Alexander know if you want to join us so we can meet you there.

Seraglio plans are well under way for an exciting day on November.15, so mark your calendars and come join us for fabulous feasting and some dinnertime drama (or comedy, more likely) and Byzantine court intrigue at what is shaping up to be a very entertaining event.

Be well and happy and we will see you soon.

Yours in Service,

Rhiannon and Alexander
Baroness and Baron, Settmour Swamp



Officer Reports Presented at the July Business Meeting

Arts & Sciences

No report

Captain of Archers

The weather has been good to the archers. Many of the baronial archer's attended Carillion's archery champions event and shot very well. The K&Q's archery event went extremely well and many archers from the barony attended and helped out with setup and marshaling. Vivat for their hard work! The archery practice held during the Cooking Collegium had very low attendance.

Chamberlain

As for the inventory, it is still out & about after the cooking collegium. Would like to start inventory soon, but lack of inventory and the weather has things on hold. Need to buy shelving soon.

Chancellor Minor

No report

Chatelaine

No report

Chirurgeon

The populace of Settmour Swamp stayed safe and mostly uninjured during the month of June. One person sustained a minor injury during set-up for the Cooking Collegium. To the best of my knowledge, no Baronial chirurgeons served at events outside the Barony. I have had a few e-mail exchanges and conversations with folks who are possibly interested in warranting as chirurgeons. I will continue to pursue this matter in an effort to select a deputy.

Chronicler

The July newsletter has been distributed. There will be no August issue. The Kingdom Chronicler announced a policy change regarding distribution of local newsletters. As of July, local Chronicler's are no longer required to send their groups' newsletter to the Royalty or the Kingdom Seneschal, unless specifically requested by them. This reduces the number of monthly hard copies to five.

Exchequer

I'm still waiting for this month's statement. When I get it I'll get you some numbers.

Herald

I now have both a Deputy for Submissions (Rannveig) and a Deputy for Courts (Emeline). East Kingdom Court has been moved to Thursday of War Week. I will be responsible for running that Court, so I will not be able to run Baronial Court if it is scheduled for the same night. Any volunteers to do herald duty? Right now, EK Court looks to be only an hour, so it should not conflict with the party. Their Excellencies should consider whether they wish to hold Court on a different night, or simply schedule it for later in the evening.

Submission fees have decreased to \$8.00 per item.

I will be teaching a class at Pennsic on how to be a local herald (i.e., how to do my job). The class will be on Saturday, August 2 at 1:00 PM. Anyone who might want my job in the future is strongly encouraged to attend.

In the mundane world, I am starting a trial on September 15, and will be out of touch for about three months. Before I vanish, I'll circulate Rannveig's and Emeline's contact information for anyone who needs heraldic services.

Knight Marshall

No Report

Mistress Of Lists

Nothing much happening here.

Marshall of Fence

No Report

Marshal of Thrown Weapons-

The progression for becoming a Marshall is going rather well. However, my initial expectation of being a marshall by Pennsic won't happen. According to the Southern Region Thrown Weapons Marshall I will be fast tracked through the classes at Pennsic and will be a marshall before Pennsic 37 is over.

I now have a deputy for Thrown Weapons events in the barony. His name is Nathan Cox-Bien and his contact email is wingeddefeat@gmail.com.

Cooking Collegium II - The Thrown Weapons Range that was planned for the event fell through. I wasn't able to grab a Warranted Marshall for the event. However I did end up doing period Kite and non period kites during the time that was allotted to me to throw.

Southern Region War Camp - I will be attending the Southern Region War Camp to help out and see to it that a few more members of the Barony attend the event.

Webmistress

No Report



From the Chronicler:

The Baronial newsletter is only as useful as the information contained within its pages.

If there is an activity scheduled and you want it listed in the newsletter, please send me the information. This applies to workshops, demos, meetings and events. Autocrats and future autocrats, send me your event announcements. If there's a change to a monthly meeting, i.e., different day, new location, let me know so I can publish accurate information. The deadline is always the 25th of the month and all submissions should be sent as a word document.

Practices and Activities

Archery Practice

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

Weeknights in Pittstown - Anyone wishing to shoot, please contact Elizabeth Hawkwood at 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 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 or call 732-742-8882.

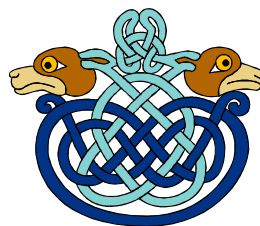
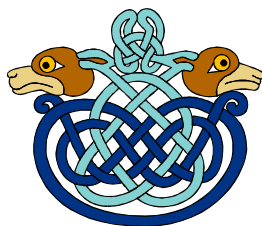
Youth Fighter Practice

Currently not scheduled. Please contact Angus Sutherland at 908-284-2614 or email him at minor@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org 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. 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

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.

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 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 mlecine@gmail.com or call her at 732-563-1029.



Baronial Business Meeting

The meeting will be held on September 10 at St. Luke's Church in Hope. For directions and more information, contact the baronial seneschal via email 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 for details.

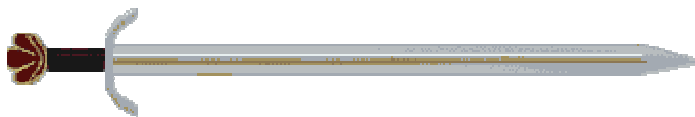
From the Canton of Marwick

The Canton will be meeting on Tuesday, September 16 at 7:15 PM at our new location, Calvary Lutheran Church in Cranford. For more details and directions, contact the seneschal, Lord Edmund Patterson at 908-561-2345 or email him at clout95@aol.com

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