# The Mudpuppy



August, 2005

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# Calendar of Events

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August 2005
      5 - 21 Pennsic XXXIV
      (Kingdom of East/Aethelmearc/Middle)
September 2005
      17 - 18 Lakewood Ren-Faire XXIV
      (Barony of Carillion - Lakewood, NJ)
             Coronation of Darius and Roxane
      24
      (Barony of Settmour Swamp - Westfield, NJ)
      24 - 25 Celtic Classic Festival and Demo
      (Shire of Eisental - Bethlehem, PA)
October 2005
      1 East Kingdom University
      (Shire of Rusted Woodlands - Rockland & Orange Co., NY, Bergen & Passaic Co, NY)
      14-16 Rescue of the Haunted Academy at Ghost, Ghouls and Goblins
      (Barony of Carillion - Manalapan Township, NJ)
      29 Love & War in Iron Bog
      (Shire of Iron Bog - Moorestown, NJ)
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# **Practices and Activities**

#### **Archery Practices:**

Tuesdays – 6:30pm in Pittstown (exit 15 off Route 78). Sundays by advance notice, only.

Also, there will be archer practice at the youth fighter practices, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.

#### **Arts & Sciences Activities:**

1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00pm, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 346 High Street (Rt 609), Hope, NJ. Contact the NW Canton Seneschal for information.

#### **Monthly Business Meetings:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month, location changes. See the Mudpuppy or the Baronial website for location and directions.

#### Fencing Practices -

Wednesdays 7-10 pm, at St. George's Episcopal Church, 550 Ridgewood Rd, Maplewood A donation of \$3 to \$5 dollars is requested to cover the rental cost.

Thursdays 8 - 10:30 PM, at the North Stelton Fire Company, 70 Haines Avenue, Piscataway, NJ 08854.

#### **Youth Fighter Practices:**

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month, assuming that we do not have a conflict with a major holiday, church function, or local SCA event.

Time is from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Rte. 31, Flemington

#### **Settmour Swamp Fighter Practice:**

Wednesdays 6:30 pm - 10 pm Nutley, NJ

It costs money to rent this site, so a \$5.00 donation is requested! If you have questions please email Sir Tanaka Raiko salvacion\_hank@hotmail.com. Should you get lost, Tanaka's pager is 201-232-9337.

#### Calligraphy Workshop

1st Tuesday of the month at the home of our Baron and Baroness, 39 Claire Dr., Bridgewater, NJ 08807

# **Directions to Practices**

#### Fighter Practices, Moose Lodge, Edison

From I-287 South take Exit #3 – New Durham/Metuchen. Turn RIGHT at light onto New Durham Road. At next light, make a RIGHT onto Talmadge Road. At next light turn LEFT onto Coolidge St. Go 0.2 miles; make a LEFT into Moose driveway/parking lot.

From I-287 North take Exit #2B – New Brunswick/Rte. 27 South. Tamp traffic flows onto Rte. 27 South. At third traffic light turn RIGHT onto Talmadge Road (Sturgis Road). Go 1.8 miles to 3rd light; make a LEFT onto Coolidge St. Turn LEFT into Moose driveway.

#### Youth Fighter Practices, St. Paul's, Flemington

St Paul is located along Route 31 in Flemington, next door to the Hunterdon Medical Center, two miles north of the Flemington Circle

From Route 287

Go I-287 to US-202 (Exit 17)., go Southwest on US-202 to Flemington NJ

Make first right in circle to get on NJ-31 North Follow signs to Hospital Make first Left past Hospital onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

From Route 78 in Pennsylvania

Go East on I-78 to NJ-31 (Exit 17) Then Go South on NJ-31.

Follow signs for Hospital.

Make right onto Gaunt Place church is on Left.

From New Jersey Turnpike south to I-78 WEST/NEW JERSEY TPKE EXT EAST RAMP towards EXITS 14 TO 14C/CARS-TRUCKS-BUSES.

Merge onto I-78 WEST RAMP, Merge onto I-78 W.

Take I-78 EXPRESS Lane W towards GARDEN STATE PARKWAY / CLINTON.

Merge onto I-78 EXPRESS Lane West. I-78 EXPRESS Lane West becomes I-78 W.

Take the I-287 exit, exit number 29, towards SOMERVILLE (US-202/206).

Merge onto I-287 SOUTH RAMP., Merge onto I-287 S.

Take the US-202 SOUTH/US-206 SOUTH exit, exit number 17, towards SOMERVILLE (US-22 W) / FLEMINGTON.

Stay straight to go onto US-202 S. until you reach Flemington Take first Right on circle to stay on NJ-31 North Follow signs to Hospital Make first Left past Hospital onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

From Garden State Parkway

Go North on GARDEN STATE PKWY (Portions toll) to I-195 (Exit 98).

Go West on I-195 to I-295.

Go North on I-295 to I-95 SOUTH.

Go South on I-95 SOUTH to NJ-31 (Exit 4).

Go Northwest on NJ-31 to Flemington

Take first right on circle to stay on NJ-31 North Follow signs to Hospital Make first Left past Hospital onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

#### From Philadelphia

Go North on I-95 NORTH to New Jersey.

Go North on I-95 NORTH to NJ-31 (Exit 4).

Go Northwest on NJ-31 to Flemington

Go 1/2 way around circle to stay on NJ-31 North Follow signs to Hospital Make first Left past Hospital onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

#### **Nutley Fighter Practice**

Note: Many of the exit ramps from Route 3 are sharp curves.

#### From NJ Route 3, Essex/Passaic County (East or West):

Take the MAIN AVE, NUTLEY-PASSAIC exit

At the bottom of the ramp, make left onto Main.

Go past Bradlees to the next light, make a right onto Kingsland,

Go to the first light, and turn left onto Franklin.

At the third light make a right onto Chestnut

Go one block and make left onto Hillside Crescent. The church is on the left-hand side; park on the street.

Alternate directions that will help you avoid some traffic:

#### From the South

Take the Garden State Parkway to Exit 151., at the end of the ramp make a right onto Watchung Ave.

At the next light make a left onto East Passaic Ave.

Take your 2nd right onto Coeyman Ave.

Take the 1st right onto Bromley Place.

Bromley Place turns into Glenview Place.

You will come to a stop sign at Ridge Road right after a curve (be careful).

Continue straight and Glenview becomes Chestnut St.

Continue straight through the traffic light at Bloomfield Ave.

\*at the top of the hill, at Prospect St, Chestnut jogs to the right. Continue on Chestnut.

Take the next right onto Hillside Crescent. ,the church will be on the left after the curve.

#### From Route 3 Westbound

Take the Passaic Ave exit.

At the end of the ramp, make a left onto Passaic Ave.

Follow directions from \*\* below

#### From Route 3 Eastbound:

Take the Passaic Ave exit.

Stay to the right and merge with Ward Ave.

At the next intersection (50ft or so), make a left onto Passaic Ave.

\*\*Passaic Ave turns into Cathedral Ave.

Stay to the right at the fork in the road.

At the end of Cathedral, make a right onto Kingsland St.

Take the first left onto Bloomfield Ave. (Across from Roche and at the railroad tracks).

Take Bloomfield Ave to the traffic light at Chestnut St.

This should be the second traffic light, but there have been lights added to that road since I lived there. (Chestnut is one of those).

The three streets on the left before Chestnut are Raymond Ave., Beech St. and Mountainview Ave.

Continue from \* above.

## From the Northwest Canton

Hello Everyone,

This is just a gentle reminder that even though we have done a lot of demos this Summer, there is going to be one more (OK, three more, but this is about one in particular) in September. Victorian Days which occurs every September the weekend after Labor Day in Belvidere, NJ. The other two are Waterloo Village (which I don't know anything about) and Vasa Park which we aren't doing this year due to Coronation. I referring to Belvidere Victorian Days.

This is a great demo and we do have a lot of fun at it. Last year we had about a dozen people show for this and I just want to say, "the more the merrier."

If we have more people show for the demos, we can have more fun with them.

We can not only have the regular A&S demos and Fighting demos but we can have a Medieval Fashion Show as well. Unfortunately, we can't do it without your support.

Demos depend on diversity. We are a very diverse organization. We represent artists and historical eras that cover over a thousand years. Speaking personally, I can say that I gain a great deal of personal satisfaction but sharing my work and teaching people not only what I do but also showing them how.

My friends, I want to remind you all that demos are an excellent opportunity for is all as a Society and Individually.

This is our opportunity to shine.

This is our opportunity to teach our skills.

This is our opportunity to grow.

This is our opportunity to reach out to the public.

This is our opportunity to recruit new members.

This is our opportunity to show the world who we are.

And demos are a lot of fun if we let them be.

Think about demos as events without the work. Or think about them as opportunities to teach, if that makes you feel better.

Event: Belvidere Victorian Days Date: September 10 and 11, 2005

Place: Belvidere, NJ (see directions below)

Time: September 10 10:00am-6:00pm (Cars must be moved from site by 8:00 am)
September 11 11:30am-5:00pm (Cars must be removed from site by 10:00 am)

The cars can be parked in town but they may not be in the vicinity of the Square so that they can bring in the antique cars. We can, once again, set everything up on Friday Night and leave things overnight or things can be stored at my house for the night so that you don't have to lug things to and from. I literally live a block away from site. You can park at my house or in front of my house if you want. If you have any special needs, please let me know ahead of time so that I can accommodate you.

If you have any questions, please let me know so that I can accommodate you.

I hope to see lots and lots of people there.

ΡJ

(Lehoric)

#### **Directions to the Belvidere Victorian Days Demo:**

#### From Rte 80 West:

Exit 12, Make left at bottom of exit & head south. \*Go straight for 9½ miles to a 4-way stop. Turn onto Brass Castle Rd. (County Rte 623N), \*\*go 1½ miles and turn left at the Fast Gas Station. The square is one block in on Third Street.

#### From 80 East:

Exit 12, make right at the bottom of the exit and follow from \*

#### From 78 West (or Rte 22 West)

Exit 17 to Rte 31 North. In Washington Center, turn left onto Rte 57 West. At the second traffic light turn right onto Brass Castle Rd. (County Rte 623) Go about 7 or 8 miles to 4 way stop and follow from \*\*

### From Rte 22 East in Pennsylvania or Phillipsburg:

Just past the Phillipsburg Mall turn left onto County Rte 519 North. In Harmony stay on Rte 519 where it turns right. After the Red Wolf Inn Restaurant Rteo 519 turns right, stay straight on County Rte 620. Follow the sign for the library and turn right onto Second Street. The Square is one block in. Site is on Third Street side of park. If you see Third Street you can turn right there.

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