

THE MUDPUPPY

March 2020

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The Officers of Settmour Swamp			
Baron	Baron Jonathan Miles	Invested: March 2017 Expires: March 2021	
Baroness	Baroness Teresa Ana Perez	Invested: March 2017 Expires: March 2021	
Seneschal	Natal'ia Bolotnikova	Invested: October 2019 Expires: October 2021	
Deputy Seneschal	Judith bas Rabbi Mendel	Invested: October 2019 Expires: October 2021	
Exchequer	Charis Accipiter	Invested: October 2017 Expires: October 2021	
Deputy Exchequer	Phelippe le Vigneron	Invested: February 2019 Expires: February 2021	
Chamberlain	Galefridus Peregrinus	Invested: April 2019 Expires: April 2021	
Chatelaine	Emeline la Chauciere	Invested: August 2018 Expires: August 2020	
Social Media Officer	Amitabh a' Bheithir	Invested: September 2019 Expires: September 2021	
Sinking Tower Pursivant (Herald)	Alexander MacGregor	Invested: November 2018 Expires: November 2020	
Deputy Herald	Ceara MacKieran of Arundel	Invested: February 2018 Expires: February 2020	

The Officers of Settmour Swamp			
Minister of Arts &	Position is open	Invested:	
Sciences		Expires:	
Deputy Minister of Arts &	Raela a Bheithir	Invested: December 2018	
Sciences		Expires: December 2020	
Chronicler	Raela a Bheithir	Invested: October 2019	
		Expires: October 2021	
Webminister	Dalek Bolotnikov iz Kabanov	Invested: October 2010	
		Expires: May 2021	
Knight Marshal	Ögurr Aðalbrandarson	Invested: March 2016	
		Expires: April 2020	
Marshal of Fence	Orlando di Sforza	Invested: January 2016	
		Expires: May 2020	
Captain of the Archers	Bahee ns hInsee	Invested: June 2019	
		Expires: June 2021	
The Officers of Canton of Gryphonwald			
Seneschal	Stephanie MacGregor	Invested: June 2019	
Exchequer	Eleanor Callaghan	Invested: January 2018	
Minister of Arts &	Dalek Bolotnikov iz Kabanov	Invested: March 2008	
Sciences			

Summary of the Minutes of the Baronial Business Meeting February 12, 2020

Held at their Excellencies' House

Present: Natal'ia (chairing) (via video conference), Judith, Galefridus, Jonathan, Teresa, Alexander, Dalek, Charis, Emeline, Phelippe, Bahee, Markus, Dyrfinna, Amitabh, Raela, Travis, Ogurr.

Natal'ia began the meeting. January minutes were approved.

Mudthaw

Judith presented. Von Drakenklaue wants to do a bake sale. The officers discussed whether the barony should also do a baronial fundraiser. It was suggested that we could replace the bake sale at Mudthaw with Quest breakfast as the baronial fundraiser.

Judith is looking into hiring a dishwasher, Charis volunteered to find someone to do this...

Judith is looking for someone to run Artisans Village. There was a discussion about setting up children's activities. There was a suggestion to have a children's fashion show. Jonathan will take care of coordinating prizes for Mudthaw..

Judith will follow up regarding the availability of a silent herald. The following major positions at Mudthaw are still open:

- Chancellor of children
- Co-autocrat of the outside / parking
- Clean-up
- Set-up
- Artisan's Village manager.

Jonathan suggested we end the tournament early since court is moving up to 4 PM. This affects the timing of the tournaments. There was a suggestion to move up the A&S display to 3 PM from 3:15 PM as well. We need a crew of people for court set up.

The current pre-registration status:

• 54 pre-registered, 40 people with feast fee (through PayPal). A few more pre-registrations went directly to Charis.

Charis passed around a feast menu. Judith has been updating the event announcement, which will need to be further updated as details become known.

Judith asked Gerry regarding holding the next baronial business meeting on March 11th. That timeframe did not work for the church, so we are suggesting March 12th. Judith will report back when she hears.

BGI

The feast budget was finalized. Everything is going smoothly.

Swamp Swap

It was decided to hold the Swamp Swap on March 14th

Quest

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Markus has been working to fill the larger open volunteer positions. Markus has also started to reach out to rental companies, i.e., the port-o-johns, dumpsters. The PayPal pre-registration link is up and running. Markus will coordinate ordering the insurance with Judith.

We have someone interested in cooking the feast. That individual will work with Markus on how to submit a bid. Judith will be running the breakfasts, and Galefridus will cook.

Officer reports:

- A&S Sof'ia (Natal'ia gave report on her behalf)
 - o Nothing new to report. She is working on clothes for Gold Key.
 - She is in the process of moving and is looking to step down as MoAS due to the distance.

• Archery – Bahee

- Arrow-making class will take place March 8th from 12-4 PM at the Great Watershed. This is the "how-to" class. Bring a notebook, pen and a lunch.
- o She will reach out to Rosa regarding archery at BGI.

Chronicler - Raela

o Raela plans to issue Mudpuppy shortly.

• Fencing - Orlando

- o People are fencing; it is going well.
- Orlando will be stepping down. Wulfgar will step up and run the fencing practices moving forward, taking on these obligations in a couple of months.

• Chatelaine - Emeline

- o She provided an update on the Hiawatha library demonstration.
- Teresa noted that Woodbridge Public Library has reached out asking for a demo sometime this summer.
- o Kingdom has a new handbook update with forms that must be submitted for demos.

• Chamberlain - Galefridus

- There is equipment at Alexander's place from the Roman feast. Charis needs it in time for Mudthaw.
- o There was a discussion on changing the combination on the locks more frequently.

• Exchequer – Charis

- We have money; we have our year-end report. Got official signatures, scanned those in. Phelippe and Charis are updating the budget.
- o Storage has increased by \$30 a month.
- Reminder: we should pass the hat around again at our stomps and meetings to help with rental fees.
- She is putting together a book for future Exchequers.

• Herald – Alexander

- He is currently working through name submissions.
- He is also working on coordinating a consultation table for Mudthaw.

• Webminister – Dalek

He updated his warrant.

- Youth Jonathan
 - o Potential youth meeting at Nutley.
- Social Media Amitabh
 - We have added the three fighter practices to the Facebook page. Current traffic shows more users. Instagram updates provided.
 - O Jonathan is presenting on how to do a kit; he will try to get pictures.

Miscellaneous:

- Charis noted she may potentially submit a bid for a Tudor 12th Night and cooking collegium at the fencing practice location. Looking to do it in January of next year.
- Phelippe noted that we are figuring out potentially how to use QuickBooks for Exchequer duties.

Next meeting: March 12, 2020 at TBD.

Minutes were summarized by the deputy chronicler.

Upcoming Baronial Events:

The Following is a Message from Her Majesty dated March 13, 2020:

Good morning, my beloved East,

With a heavy heart, We bring the sad tidings that Mudthaw has been canceled. This decision was not made lightly, but protecting the Eastern Populace is Our first priority. We are truly sorry to miss the opportunity to see and recognize so many of you but feel that this is the right thing for Our populace. We want to thank everyone who has been working to preparing this great event and their understanding of this decision.

Their Excellencies Settmour Swamp have not yet had the opportunity to discuss the possibility of rescheduling the event. They need some time to regroup and explore what may be possible.

Thank you for continuing to take care of yourselves and your communities. You are the treasures within society and without.

Yours in Service to the East and the Dream,

Margarita, Queen of the East Kingdom

Medhbh, Kingdom Seneschal

Paypal Registration Refunds

Rules dictate that refunds will come from the Barony of Settmour Swamp rather than through PayPal.

Please send an email to the baronial exchequer:

To: exchequer@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org

Subject: Mudthaw Refund

Body: Please include your mundane name and mailing address.

April 25, 2020

Black Gryphon Inn XXI

Location: Elks Lodge #2487

Site Opens: 12:00pm Site Closes: 9:00pm

Site Fees: \$17 Adult Non-Members, \$12 Adult Members, \$5 Minors (3-17 years of age),

Minors 3 and under are free

Feast Fee: \$8

Come one, come all and welcome!

On April 22, 1500, Pedro Álvares Cabral and his Portuguese ships landed on the shores of what we now know as Brazil. On April 25, 2020, the Canton of Gryphonwald will explore what is happening on April 21st 1500 as we celebrate the indigenous people of Brazil in an evening of fun activities, good music, and delicious food at the Black Gryphon Inn!

We are proud to announce their excellencies wish to establish the next champion of Settmour's brewers. All are welcome to participate in creating and presenting their own fine brew of wine, mead, cordials or other elixirs to our court of trusted refined aficionados. The chosen brew shall be announced across the lands as Settmour's brew of choice to be tasted, admired and enjoyed. By rites secret and mysterious, the gentle for whom Settmour brewing is the personification and as such, shall hold as the appointed champion to face all comers, challenges, and boasts for the coming year.

Let it be known that the honor to host our Barony's Bardic competition is also held! Come before the Canton of Gryphonwald, the Barony of Settmour Swamp, and our esteemed Baron and Baroness to compete in our Bardic competition.

Let us not forget the opportunity to test your skills in the arenas of art and science by entering a piece of work in the populace vote A&S competition.

For all said competitions, please prepare alongside your submission, whether it be art, brew or song, a short description of the work, all associated documentation and its origin or inspiration.

For full event details and PayPal registration, please visit:

https://www.eastkingdom.org/event-details/?eid=3596

*For a complete list of upcoming events, please visit the following for complete details:

https://www.eastkingdom.org/EventListing.php

Current Fighting Practices:

Hopewell Sunday Practice for Fencing and Heavy Armor:

Every Sunday 2:00p-6:00p

Location: Hopewell Presbyterian Church

80 W Broad Street

Hopewell, NJ 08525

Fencing Practice: Every Tuesday 7:30p-9:00p

Location: Ogden Memorial Presbyterian Church

286 Main Street

Chatham, NJ 07928

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Armored Fighter Practice: Every Wednesday 7:30p-10:30p

Location: Franklin Reformed Church

45 Hillside Crescent

Nutley, NJ 07110

Fried Chicken with a Sweet-Sour Citron Glaze

Recipe Submitted by Galefridus Peregrinus

This delightful dish is from the 13th century Syrian Wusla il-al-Habib (Scents and Flavors). The recipe says to use orange or citron — I did it with Seville orange months ago when they were in season. I adapted the recipe slightly, adding some cracked coriander seed and a bit of saffron. I'd say the citron and the orange versions are equally good. Enjoy!

Scents and Flavors 5.55 (P65)



"Sour orange chicken. Take sour orange or the sour part of citron, extract the pulp, and mix into syrup. Thicken to the consistency of beverage syrup. Fry the chicken and add. This is an unusual dish. When serving, plate the chicken and garnish with citron or orange flesh all over, on over the breast, sides and underneath."

The way the recipe reads, it seems possible that the chicken is fried whole, which I did not do. I used a 3 lb chicken, cut up and fried it in pure (<u>NOT</u> extra virgin) olive oil. After the initial browning, I added a teaspoon of cracked coriander and a pinch of saffron. Meanwhile, I took the seeded flesh of a large etrog citron (or a Seville orange), 1/2 c water and 1/4 c sugar. I boiled the sugar and water until dissolved and added the citron, reduced the heat to a simmer and cooked to a syrup, which I then added to the frying chicken. The syrup forms a lovely sweet/sour glaze. I served over couscous, but I would guess that in medieval Syria it would probably have been served with bread of some sort. I did not, unfortunately, have enough citron or orange left to use as a garnish.

Is there something you would like to see in our next issue of The MuddPuppy? Please feel free to submit any recipes, A&S projects, Fighting Projects or any SCA-related content to:

chronicler@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org

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