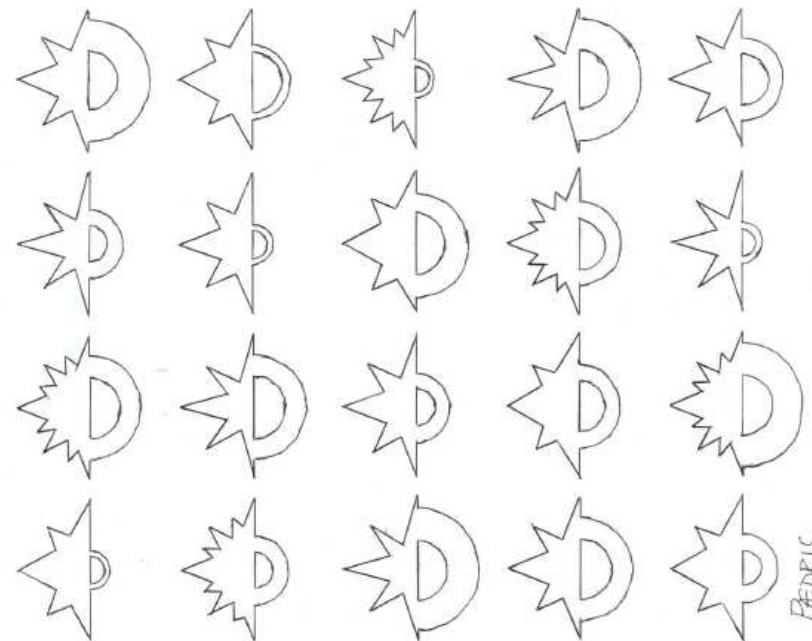


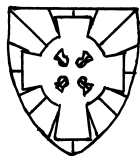
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Calendar of Events

(From the Kingdom Calendar)

July 2010 (AS XLV)

2-4 (6/30-7/5) Out of Kingdom: Battlemoor: Mountain Crusades - Kingdom of the Outlands (Rye, CO)
Fourth of July Weekend
9-11Crown Tournament - TBD (Central/Northern)
16-18..... Round Table - TBD
23-25..... **OPEN**
30-1Out of Kingdom: Pennsic XXXIX

August 2010 (AS XLV)

6-8Out of Kingdom: Pennsic XXXIX
Western Sentinel - Blacklake (Midland/Odessa, TX)
13-15 Out of Kingdom: Pennsic XXXIX
20-22..... **OPEN**
27-29Grand Assembly of Archers - Namron (Norman, OK)

Populace Meetings

August 3..... Isabelot's House 7:00PM
September 7..... TBA

Practices

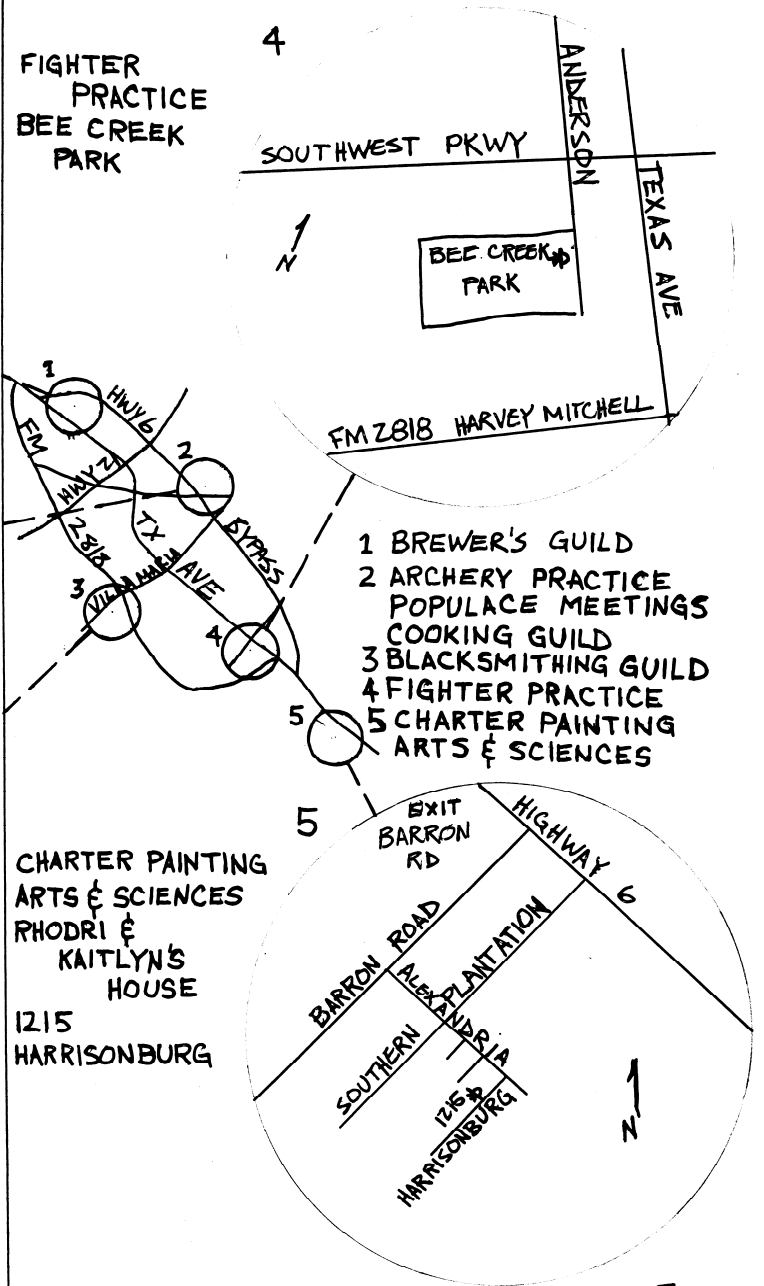
Practice	Time	Location	Contact
Archery	Sun 6:00PM 2 nd &4 th Fri 6:00PM	Austin's Colony Park	Ronald ronald_the_archer@yahoo.com
Chivalric	Thur 7:00PM	Bee Creek Park	Lord Bastian jed.tressler@gmail.com
Rapier	Thur 7:00PM	Bee Creek Park	Don Connor benjamin.white@gmail.com

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Guild	Time	Location	Contact
Brewers	2 nd &4 th Wed 6:30PM	Catan's House	Josef cj2308@yahoo.com
Blacksmithing	1 st Wed 6:30 PM	Bastian's house	Josef cj2308@yahoo.com
Cooking	3 rd Wed 7:00PM	Isabelot's House	HL Isabelot isabelotdeforess@gmail.com
Dance	1,2,4 Sun 7:00PM	on hiatus	Lady Morina elwenaduialloth@yahoo.com
Italian Dance	3 rd Sunday 6:00PM	on hiatus	Lady Morina elwenaduialloth@yahoo.com
Scribes/Open A&S	Monday 7:00PM	Kaitlyn's house	Mistress Kaitlyn Mistresskaitlyn@gmail.com

Dance

Dance is on hiatus until the Fall



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The Shadow Notes

Archery practice has moved from 3:00PM to 6:00PM on Sundays for the remainder of the summer. Friday practices continue at 6:00PM.

Thanks to all who came out to help with the Shire's Regional fighter practice/Recruiting Demo at Tanglewood Park. There is another one scheduled at Central Park in College Station on July 23 from 6-8 PM.

Congratulations to the victors at the Shadowlands Just 'Cause Tourney:

- Rapier Round Robin Tourney:
 Winner: Don Simone Nicholls, from Stargate by way of An Tir
 Double Kill, Single Elim (Crown Style) Armored Combat Tourney:
 Winner: Sir Ysfael Bryndu, from Bryn Gwlad
 Runner up: Centurion Eleanor d'Erisbey, from Bryn Gwlad
 Triple elim Challenge Armored Combat Tourney:
 Winner: Sir Ysfael Bryndu, from Bryn Gwlad
 Runner up: Centurion Eleanor d'Erisbey, from Bryn Gwlad

The **Magic Decoder Ring** is properly described in blazon (the language of Heraldry): a demi-compass star and a demi-anulus conjoined per pale. In plain English this translates to: half of a compass star and half of a ring joined together along the vertical axis. No mention is made of their relative sizes, so ALL of the **Magic Decoder Rings** pictured are technically correct (even the ones with extra points)

Thanks and Credits

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Officer Reports

From the Seneschal

From the Treasurer

From the Hospitaler

From the Armored Combat Marshal

From the Rapier Marshal

Practice continues over the summer on Thursdays at 7 PM in Bee Creek Park.

We had a decent turnout for both the regional practice on the 12th and the Just `Cause tournament on the 19th. The weather may be warm, but now is the time to stay in shape and if you find the heat to be too oppressive, remember that we will be very busy in the fall, so start planning and working on your new rapier armor while there's time.

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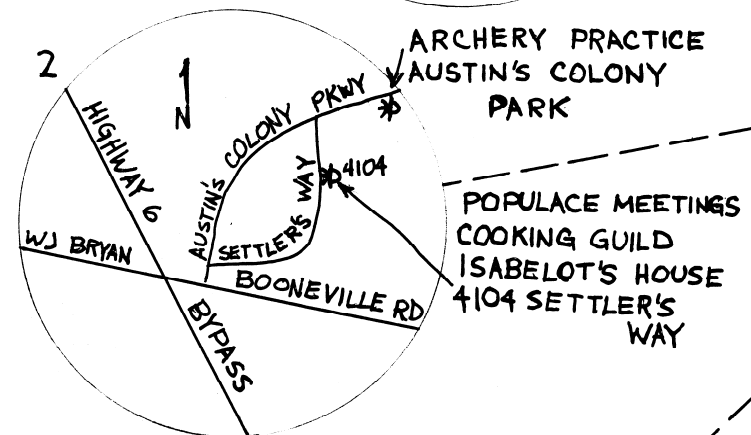
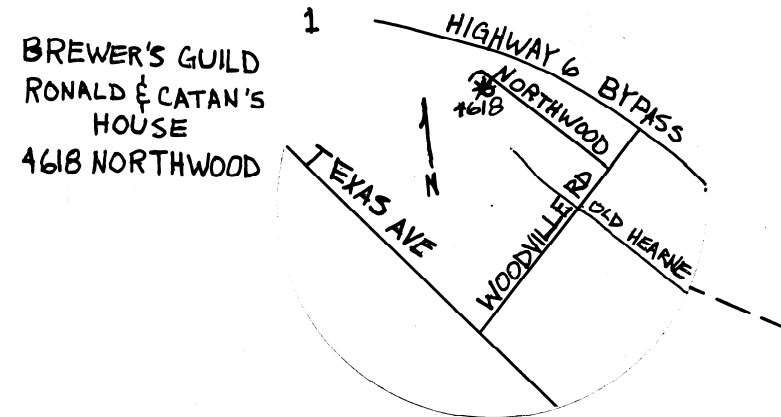
Don Connor MacGillivray

From the Archery Marshal

Greetings to all archers and potential archers (i.e. the rest of the populace),

This month we had slightly better participation at practice, but I am still not seeing enough of you at practice (and no, for the smart alecks among you, this does not mean you should gain weight).

This month 3 members of the shire (Taylor, Catani, and I) participated in Gate's Edge melee practice on June 6th. It was



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18. In 1100 Death of Godfrey de Boullion; Baldwin becomes King of Jerusalem
19. In 1553 – Lady Jane Grey is replaced by Mary I of England as Queen of England after having that title for just nine days.
20. In 1540 "The Association of Masters of Defence," a professional association of teachers and students of rapier &c., is recognized by Henry VIII, King of England
21. In 1209 Massacre of Beziers (Albengian "Crusade")
22. In 1298 Battle of Falkirk – King Edward I of England and his longbowmen defeat William Wallace and his Scottish schiltrons outside the town.
23. 1536 Death of Henry Fitzroy, bastard son of Henry VIII
24. In 1567 Forced abdication of Mary, Queen of Scots
25. In 1570 Ivan IV, "the Terrible" Czar of Russia, attends the public execution of almost all of his advisers and ministers
26. In 920 – Rout of an alliance of Christian troops from Navarre and Léon against the Muslims at Pamplona.
27. In 1586 Sir Walter Raleigh returns to England, bringing tobacco
28. In 1540 – Thomas Cromwell is executed at the order of Henry VIII of England on charges of treason. Henry marries his fifth wife, Catherine Howard, on the same day.
29. In 1565 – The widowed Mary, Queen of Scots, marries Henry Stuart, Lord Darnley, Duke of Albany at Holyrood Palace in Edinburgh, Scotland.
30. In 1419 Defenestration of Prague; Beginning of the Hussite Wars
31. In 1315 the Gates of Paris were treacherously opened for Charles, King of Navarre.

miserably hot and humid, but we did get to do a little fighting and combat archery. Eadric paid Taylor a compliment by lamenting that Taylor gave him absolutely nothing to shoot at when we were lined up and exchanging fire.

This brings us to the Just 'Cause Tourney on June 19th. The shire sponsored a target archery fun shoot as part of the event activities. We had 8 archers participate, with representatives from Raven's Fort, Bryn Gwlad, and Shadowlands. We had a slot shot, string shoot, playing card shoot, and other games. In addition, archers were allowed to shoot royal rounds if they choose. Lord Faolàn liked the slot shot so much that he asked and was allowed to keep the slot target at the completion of the shoot. We also had a couple rousing hands of draw poker in the card shoot, with the best hand of the day being three fives by Sophie. Also, let it be known, to all those who play poker with Mistress Kaitlyn, that she will draw on an inside straight. Had she got her seven, however, the high hand of the day would have been a ten high strait. I would like to thank Faolàn for helping inspect and running the range during practice early in the day.

And just a reminder, Archery practices are every Sunday plus 2nd and 4th Fridays at 6 PM at the Austin's Colony Park Archery Range. I look forward to seeing you there.

Ronald

From the Chronicler

The powers that be have changed the rules and made it more difficult for me to publish photos, so I would really appreciate it if some of our more artistic members could start drawing some art for me to use as covers in upcoming issues. Also submissions of any other kind would be greatly appreciated. If there is any SCA topic about which you know enough to fill a page or two, share your knowledge with the Shire by submitting an article to be published. I am once again planning to publish a Who's Who of the Shire in the September Newcomer's issue of the newsletter. If you would like to be included

in the Who's Who please send me whatever information you would like to be included (i.e. persona information, interests, offices currently held, etc)... If you leave it to me to write your info, you may not be totally satisfied with the results

In service,
Lord Pædric

From the Historian

In June of that year did the shire hold a demo targeted at recruiting new members from the local community. It was well attended by members of the Shire, but, alas, drew little attention from the public. In that same month the Shire did hold an off-calendar event, The Just 'Cause Tourney, at which Don Simone Nicholls did win the Rapier competition, and Sir Ysfael Bryndu won not one, but two armored combat tournaments. It should be noted that Centurion Eleanor d'Erisbey did finish second in both of those competitions.

In service,
Lord Pædric

From the Web Minister

Useful Websites for Newcomers

<http://sca.org/> - SCA Inc. web page
<http://ansteorra.org/> - The Texas/Oklahoma Kingdom web page
<http://shadowlands.ansteorra.org/> - the Bryan/College Station chapter web page
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/shadowlandssca/> - the Shire email list used for discussion, announcements, and activity planning

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This Month in the Middle Ages – July

1. In 1520 – La Noche Triste: Joint Mexican Indian force led by Aztecs under Cuitláhuac defeat Spanish Conquistadors under Hernán Cortés.
2. In 1566 Death of Michel de Nostre Damus (Nostradamus)
3. In 987 Hugh Capet is crowned King of France, the first of the Capetian dynasty that would rule France till the French Revolution in 1792.
4. In 1567 Abdication of Mary, Queen of Scots
5. In 1316 – Battle of Manolada between the Burgundian and Majorcan claimants of the Principality of Achaea.
6. In 1403 Caermarthen surrenders to Owain Glen Dwr
7. In 1348 The Black Death arrives in England at Weymouth
8. In 1497 – Vasco da Gama sets sail on first direct European voyage to India.
9. In 1540 Henry VIII divorces Anne of Cleves
10. In 1553 – Lady Jane Grey takes the throne of England.
11. In 1274 Birth of Robert I, "the Bruce," King of Scotland
12. In 1191 Fall of Acre (Third Crusade)
13. In 1174 – William I of Scotland, a key rebel in the Revolt of 1173–1174, is captured at Alnwick by forces loyal to Henry II of England.
14. In 1570 Reformed missal went into use in Roman Catholic churches
15. In 1430 Jeanne d'Arc handed over to Pierre Cauchon, the Bishop of Beauvais
16. In 1439 Kissing banned in England, in an attempt to stop the spread of pestilence and disease
17. In 1453 CASTILLION (effective end of the 100 Yrs War)