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UPCOMING EVENTS

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- ♦ **A** Archery training,
- ♦ **K** Kongas training tourney
- ♦ **S** Stormhold monthly bash
- ♦ **I** Scribes & illuminators guild
- ♦ **C** Cooks guild

February 2006

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SHIRE OF ARROWSREACH REGULAR EVENTS

ARROWSREACH HEAVY TRAINING

WHERE & WHEN: Every Monday night 7.30 till 10pm, at Central Ringwood Community hall, Bedford park, Bedford rd, Ringwood.

COST: \$5 for fighters, \$3 for spectators.
(\$1 Discount for members)

ARROWSREACH ARCHERY TRAINING

WHERE & WHEN: 2nd & 4th Sunday's, 1 till 5pm, at Croydon Secondary College, Croydon Road, Croydon.

COST: \$5 for fighters, \$3 for spectators.
(\$1 Discount for members)

KONGAS TRAINING TOURNY

WHERE & WHEN: First Monday night of the month. Same venue as heavy training. Armour inspection from 7:30, tourney begins at 8pm.

COST: Same as normal training.

TOURNAMENT STYLE:

FEBUARY: melee, and two man teams

MARCH: round robin

OTHER INFORMATION: People who wish to learn how to become a voice herald, marshal or how to run lists should see Konga for further information.

THIS IS A GARB ENCOURAGED EVENT

March 2006

UPCOMING ARTS & SCIENCE

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REGULAR EVENTS NEARBY

STORMHOLD MONTHLY BASH

WHERE & WHEN: 1st Sunday of the month at John Gardiner Reserve, Auburn rd, Hawthorn

COST: \$3 for members, \$5 for non members

SCRIBES & ILLUMINATORS (VICTORIA)

This event repeats on the last Sunday of every month

Time: 2pm till 5pm.

Event Location: Nicolette Dufay's home 4 Emville Court, Cheltenham, Vic. Phone: 0413 518 151

Notes: Get together to learn a new skill or to practice a new one. Please ring or e-mail to confirm or get further details AuntieNic@hotmail.com

COOK'S GUILD (VICTORIA)

This event repeats on the first Saturday of every month

Time: 1pm till 5pm

Event Location: Nicolette Dufay's home 4 Emville Court, Cheltenham, Vic. Phone: 0413 518 151

Notes: We discuss various topic concerning food in the middle ages, unless it clashes with a major event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Guild Ascention Day.

The guild assention day is a gathering of the guilds of Lochac. Ti is where they get to meet each other, do the buissiness they need to do together and demonstrate to others exactly what it is they do. To attend the event you do not need to be a member of any guild, you just need to be intrested in what the guilds do.

Classes and meetings are to be held during the day, and in the evening there will be feasting and dancing, including a dance test for those wishing to join the guild of the Silver Rondel (the dance Guild Obviously)

Date: 4th February 2006

Prices: \$25/\$30 (mem/non) \$75 family. Add \$5 after 12th night

Location: Carwatha College, 43-81 Browns Rd, Noble Park North.

Venue open at 10am - first classes at 11am

Bookings : conrad.leviston@lib.monash.edu.au

Come join us for feasting, fun and frolics at Canterbury Faire, hosted by the Barony of Southron Gaard.

No mud, no dust, no venomous fauna!

Comfortable bunkrooms, hot showers, shady tent sites, optional meal plan and real toilets

Canterbury Faire 2006: February 2-7

Waipara (1 hour north of Christchurch), New Zealand

Full site cost for adults: \$45-65 --

(discounts for booking early!)

Children (defined as 12 and under): \$23

Single day costs for adults/children: \$6/\$3

Single overnight costs for adults/children: \$12/\$6

Feast for adults/children \$15/\$7.50 (book before January 15)

Meal plan for adults/children \$40/\$20

(book before January 15)

Tent hire: \$10 (book before January 15)

T-shirt: \$20 (book before January 15)

As an official event, there will be a Kingdom surcharge of \$1 on all bookings for people aged over 18, and a \$2 event membership fee for anyone booking who is not a member of the SCANZ Inc or an affiliated organisation (i.e. SCA Australia or SCA Inc). Please show your membership card when you check in at the gatehouse on arrival.

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM (NZ) INC. – BARONY OF SOUTHRON GAARD

24-26 February, Border War VIII,

Bordescros

Fighting and camping. Time: 4pm Friday to 2pm Sunday,

Site: Noonameena Lodge, Porepunkah (Albury_Wodongah Surrounds) 3740, Vic AU.

Cost: Booked by 30/12 \$65M/\$79Nm,

Booked by 15/2 \$70M/\$75NM,

Booked by 16/2-21/2/05\$80M/\$85NM;

No at door price.

Cheques payable to "Bordescros SCA". Bookings required by 21/2/05 to the steward, c/- PO Box 3337, Albury NSW 2640 AU, bordescros@hotmail.com

Steward: Cairstiona Inghean Raghnaill (Joy Walker), "Lochanora", Olympic Highway, Culcairn 2660, NSW AU, ph 02 60297262;

mob 0427432 870, email aliandron@hotmail.com

ROYAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT BARON AND BARONESS OF STORM HOLD

We are pleased to advise the populace of Stormhold that their next Barron and Barroness will be Rodrigo and Sara. The investiture date will be determined by our successors and is likely to be in the latter part of their reign.

We were pleased to see both sets of candidates receive strong support from the Barony and we believe either would have done an excellent job. Thank you to the populace of Stormhold for your candid and informative commentary and thank you to Sara and Rodrigo and Eleanora and Aeddán for Nominating.

We wish the group all the best in its new Journey.

Cornelius Rex Morwynna Regina

SUMMER TWILIGHT TOURNEY SERIES

Being a gathering for noble combat, arts & sciences and frivolity of divers natures upon the sward, 'neath the shady trees in the grounds of the halls of learning - there will never be a series of events like this again, until the next time - polish your armour, cook that repast, don that garb and be prepared to entertain and be entertained, to battle and to be fought for, to dance and play and while away those sultry summer soirs scintillating salubriously sans stress

Your Summers will never be the same again!

November 18 - Standard Tourney, Dancing and Kubb (Steward: Master Gwynfor)

December 16 - Pas de Armes, Kris Kringle and Consort Challenges (Steward: Mistress Nicolette)

January 20 - Off-Hand Weapon Tourney (must have a consort present) and Trash and Treasure Sale (round shields and demi gauntlets will be available) (Steward: Lady Breanna, working with Master Gwynfor)

February 17 - Holmgang Bear Pit Tourney (fighting on the hide) and Highland Games (Steward: Master Gwynfor)

March 17 - Newcomers Tourney and Games evening (Ides of March/Roman theme) (Steward: Mistress Nicolette)

From 6:00 pm in the Oak Grove at Monash University. Enter from Wellington Rd, turn left at the roundabout, and turn left into the first carpark. The Oak Grove is the stand of oak trees between the first and second carparks.

Each evening will start at 6:00pm with the Potluck, armour inspection at 7:00pm, tourney starting at 7:30pm, and ending with the Activities til 9:30, just after dusk.

Pricing will be: \$8 for members or \$9 for non-members, children under 16 free.

However you can get discounts! If you bring a dish for the potluck you will get \$5 off and if you enter one of the non-combat competition you can get a further \$1 off your entry fee.

So bring a dish, and entering a competition will reduce your event admission price to \$2/\$3 members/non-members!

Each month will see a round of non-combat competitions, with series points being earned for a major prize at the end of the summer. So far we have the following competitions being sponsored:

Cooks Guild - Period Food for the pot luck, must have written documentation and be cooked by entrant.

Baron Gwynfor - Pageantry, must be a new item.

House Woodrose - Tourney Entertainment, documented and presented on the night, must enter when signing in.

Tailors Guild - Medieval Garment or Accessory, must be new item.

Points will be awarded for all the tourneys and competitions as follows:

1st place - # of entries + 1

2nd place - # of entries - 1

3rd place - # of entries - 2

all other entries get 1 point

For example, 3 entries yields 4 points for 1st, 2 points for 2nd and 1 point for 3rd. 14 entries yields 15 points for 1st, 13 for 2nd, 12 for 3rd, and 1 for everyone else. One entry garners 2 points for the entrant.

This event is proudly brought to you by the WPA (Woodrose Pelicans Association), a division of the KGB (Krae Glas Baronials)

For more information, please contact either Master Gwynfor Lwyd (gwynfor@gwynfor.org) or Mistress Nicolette Dufay (auntienic@gmail.com)

OFFICERS REPORTS

CHRONICLER

Greetings one and all,

This month has seen some exciting events in our fair shire. We had the archery/war tournament on the 27th. Many fighters both heavy and light came out of the wood work for that. I personally had a ball and it has enthused me to fight on a semi regular basis (I don't want to get to excited). We also had the Great Arrowsreach Garage Sale, we raised \$85 for the shire and I think it was very atmospheric. I am planning for the next one to be in around 3 to 4 months so start saving your gold.

November crown was one of the best events I have ever been to, but I didn't see any fighting, nor did I see anything other than the inside of the kitchen either. But a well run and tasty feast I have yet to see. I did the grillin for the feast as well as vegetable prep and a whole lot 'o' carving. The decorations were simple yet effective and the hall was truly magnificent. So all in all a great event.

I am looking for a deputy who is willing to take over from me as chronicler in about six months. Its not that hard and as long as you have a computer and the internet then you have pretty much all you will need. Contact me via email or in person. Also subscriptions for the bowstring are available in 3, 6, and 12 issue lots.

As always all article submissions are most welcome and I am also setting up a merchants page, so if you have SCA related products or services for sale send me an advertisement and I will put it in for you.

Yours in service,

Wolfric Halvedievil a.k.a. Konga.

Greetings good gentles of Arrowsreach,

If any of you guys are going to Canterbury Faire, and want even more medieval camping and fighting, I am putting on a camping event in the North island of NZ the weekend before.

This is primarily for those of us too poor to get to Canterbury Faire, but those of you who are passing through are very welcome.

There are lots of tourist things between the two events if you travel by car.

The event blurb is as follows:

The Canton of Cluain would like to announce a camping event (at Cees and Phillippas dairy farm) near Edgecumbe, Bay of Plenty on Anniversary weekend 27-30th January 2006.

There will be plenty of mixed combat, and every other type of combat, as well as games and drinking over the long weekend.

So come to the inaugural Leeuwen Horst if you can't make it to Canterbury Faire, or as a warm-up for that event.

Come and sing, dance and have a picnic in the Summer sun. Fresh milk and barbeques for cooking are provided, also a soup kitchen on the Friday night/Saturday morning.

The calf shed (vacant at that time of year) will convert into a tavern with a lot of atmosphere.

There will be portable toilets and a basic shower facility with a couple of camping showers.

Price of the event: \$13 members and \$15 non-members for the whole weekend, with children free.

Enquiries about the event can be made to:

Brian di Caffa, Ph (07) 308 6598 bkwan@wave.co.nz .

Bookings can be sent to:

Liz Brodie, 18 Appleton lane, RD4, Eureka, Hamilton, NZ.

Cheques can be made out to:

SCANZ - Cluain.

Regards Brian di Caffa

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ARROWS ARE
USELESS WITH OUT
THE BOWSTRING”**

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