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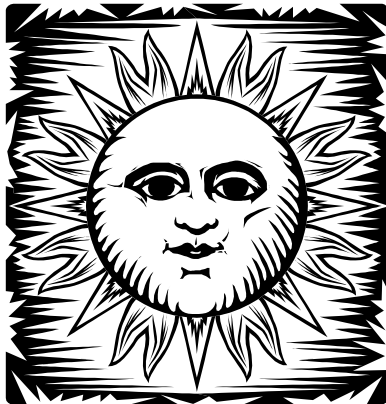
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Words from the Chronicler

Greetings to all, this is just a short missive this edition. Again Glen Rathlin has had another event, this time the second Unicorns Inspiration, for which I believe we sacrificed five summers worth of sunshine to have such beautiful weather. We also had our second vice regal court, with Sir Michael and Lady Moira conveying awards to Dorothea of Clare (AoA) and Lord Aidan McGuire (Lindquistringe).

We also had the pleasure of watching the Academy of Defense doing what they do best, with three people “playing for the prize”.

Lady Cairiona of the Ravens



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Unicorn's Inspiration II

This year's four day event took place 30th July to the 2nd August 2004 and received quite possibly the best weather the shire has received all summer. As ever we were using Ardnalvalley Scout Camp as our site, and Friday night was the usual meeting up with old friends.

The archery contest was our own Glen Rathlin Round shot at 5 and 10 yards thus allowing even the newest archer to compete and score. Both Sir Michael and his son Brian shot well and there was a lot of fun had by all, I believe Brian owes his father a tidy sum by the end of their wagers.

The rest of the morning was taken up by the fencing tourney. The Viceroy and Brian were introduced to the idea of a clout shoot (you have to drop arrows onto a target on the ground) and Sofia gained the record for longest time in the air getting an arrow stuck in the branches of a tree. The tourney was well received and many hard and fast bouts were had before retiring to a sandwich lunch in the chalet. The winner of the fencing was Lord Cernac the Celt.

The afternoon had another hour of archery and the heavy tourney for the rest of the afternoon. The heavy tourney was a melee with no less than seven fighters starting on the field although Lord Robert had to withdraw. The eventual winner was Sir Michael with Lord Paul coming a meritorious second. Congratulations to Aodh from Dublin who gained his first authorisation and fought his first tourney.

Dinner in the evening was a BBQ, but first, under the welcome shade of a tree the Regency Court was held. The Viceroy and Vicereine had many good words for us. Lord Aidan McGuire received his Lindquistringe scroll, made by Queen Honor herself, Lord Arthur of the Black Marsh received entry to the Order of the

Dragon's Bowle for his attention to authenticity in all things and Dorothea of Clare received her justly deserved Award of Arms.

The evening passed as usual with the cooling air of the evening filled with laughter, good cheer and the scent of the barbeque. Unfortunately the Viceregal couple had to return home early Sunday morning but I believe they enjoyed their stay in this far-flung corner of the Dragon Isles.

Sunday began with a late breakfast and the team games; spear chucking, heraldry and a Swedish game whose name I cannot remember but want to play again. These were all played with good camaraderie in the warming sun. The IKAC archery shoot was held in the afternoon while the Academy of Defence prize tourneys were held (all three of them!). Congratulations to those who achieved new ranks within the academy.

The IKAC also meant that Lord Paul and Lady Caitriona had now qualified for membership of the Drachenwald Company of Archers since confirmed by the Kingdom archery Marshal.

Highlights of the feast were Lord Gonzales having his head shaved for fundraising for the Chirurgeonate, Lady Valeria poems and song and the announcements of the winners of the various contests. Lady Sagadis won the A&S, Lord Cernac the Fencing, Lord Paul the Archery and Sir Michael the heavy the overall victor for this year was Lord Cernac who is the Unicorn's Inspiration until the next event is held.

On Monday there was a Royal Round shot in the morning with the Female fencing tourney (also men in skirts) running in the late morning, the afternoon was spent mainly tidying up and saying farewells until our next meetings.

Sword and Pen

17-19 September - Dublin, Ireland

The Shire of Lough Devnaree is pleased to announce the Sword and Pen event. This is an event to celebrate and display skill in both the Arts of War and of Peace.

There will be tournaments in both rapier and in armoured combat. Side-sword training will also take place. There will be an A&S display to which all the populace are encouraged to contribute. We will have space for A&S classes also. Folk interested in teaching are warmly encouraged to contact the Event Steward as soon as possible.

A schedule of classes will be posted nearer the event date. Folk are encouraged to bring medieval games also.

Rapier authorisations will be possible at the event; people interested in authorising should contact the Event Steward in advance to ensure there will be sufficient time scheduled for this.

We will be holding a feast on Saturday evening. Please highlight any special dietary requirements you may have, with your booking.

Site:

Matt Talbot Hall,
Dominick Place,
(just off Dominick St)
Dublin 1.

Site opens at 18:00 on Friday
Closes at 17:00 on Sunday.

Site is not handicapped accessible.
No pets on site.
Limited crash (floor) space is available on site, if you wish to use this, please request this in your booking.

Site is discretely wet. Location is in Dublin city centre and so is 5-10 min walk from shops and supermarkets etc. Locked onsite parking is available.

Cost: event fee EUR 5, feast fee an additional EUR 5.

Event Steward and Marshal-in-Charge:

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Crown Tournament

October 15-17 - Lyndhurst, England

The Shire of West Dragonshire in Insulae Draconis cordially invite one and all to join us in the heart of the New Forest to witness the goodly battles that will take place to decide the future Crown of our fair kingdom.

The more subtle arts will not be neglected, with time for fencers and archers to demonstrate their skills as well as time for those skilled in the Arts and Sciences.

Lyndhurst is a historical town in the centre of one of the most beautiful parts of the south of England, an areas steeped in history. The New Forest was designated a Royal Hunting Forest by William the Conqueror.

Further details can be found at <http://www.westdragonshire.org.uk>.

Site: Foxlease Guiding Centre, Clay Hill, Lyndhurst, Hampshire, SO43 7DE; see <http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/tacs/foxlease/>. Site will be open from 16:00 on Friday and will close by 16:00 on Sunday.

Cost: Site fee £12 (includes lunch on Saturday), Bunk for 2 nights £4, Camping or Crash Space £2, Feast £6, breakfast Saturday/Sunday £3. Children under 3 for free. Non-member surcharge applies.

Reservations to the Reservations Steward at the address given below stating:

- Number of tickets required
- real name and SCA name of all persons attending
- type of booking (site only, site + bunk etc),
- any dietary restrictions
- contact details (email, postal address, telephone number).

Payment by UK residents must be made in advance before 2nd October 2004, cheques payable to **SCA West Dragonshire** in pounds sterling. Non UK residents may pay cash at the door in sterling, but reservations must still be received in advance.

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Viceroy Tourney III

29-31 October - Edinburgh, Scotland

The Shire of Harpelstane is pleased to host the Third Insulae Draconis Viceroy Tourney. Those wishing to enter the Tourney must send their letter of intent to their Majesties, the current Viceroy and Vicereine and the Seneschal of Insulae Draconis at least one month prior to the event.

Site: Gracemount Youth and Community Centre, 128 Lasswade Road, Edinburgh, EH16 6UA. Site opens at 18:00 on Friday and closes at 14:00 on Sunday. Travel details will be published on the Harpelstane web site. The site is discreetly wet; there are a limited number of bunks, mattresses and crash space. Paid bookings will be allocated bunks first - so book early. Please make cheques payable to "SCA Shire of Harpelstane".

Cost: Site (including simple lunch) £3, bunks/crash space £10, feast £8.

Event Stewards

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Yuletide University IV

(a Winter College)

26th to 28th of November 2004

Crawfordsburn Scout Camp

20 Bridge Road South,

Helen's Bay, Co Down

BT19 1JT

This new site will open at 6pm on Friday 26th and closes unfortunately at 3pm on Sunday 28th.

Site fee is still £15 sterling for the weekend. Cheques made payable to SCA Club Northern Ireland. Day rates are available on request from the event steward. This will include bunk space with bedding for two nights, breakfast on Sat / Sun, also lunch Sat /Sun and the feast on Sat night.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SITE IS STRICTLY DRY!

There will be a few classes on Friday night as well as sign up for the next two days classes, general socialising and greetings. Light refreshments will be available to remove the winter chill from traveller's bones.

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Your Shire Needs You!

What classes do YOU want to see run at Yuletide University IV?

Now's your chance please send me your wish list for classes as well as any you wish to try to run yourself and I'll see what we can do to accommodate you!

Info to: herald@glenrathlin.org

Forthcoming Events

12th September
Equis Virisque
West Dragonshire, England

01st to 03rd October
Bards Night
Mynydd Gwyn, Wales

08th to 10th October
Crown Tourney
TBD, Insulae Draconis

29th to 31st October
Viceroy Tournament III
TBD, Insulae Draconis

06th November
Kingdom University
Ad Flumen Caerulum, Austria

26th to 28th November
Yuletide University IV
Ardnally Scout Centre, Belfast

Our own Monthly practices are on the first Saturday of every month unless notified otherwise on the mailing list.

If you want a specific workshop or practice to be run contact one of the officers.

Full Kingdom/Shire Calendar listings on web site.



Next Practice & Events

The next practices will be held at the usual site (Ballyeaston Halls) unless notified otherwise upon the mailing list (scanorthernireland@yahoo.com) on the following dates....

3rd July 2004
7th August 2004
4th September 2004
2nd October 2004

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Lord Robin of Dalriada

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Lady Caitriona of the Ravens

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Web Minister**
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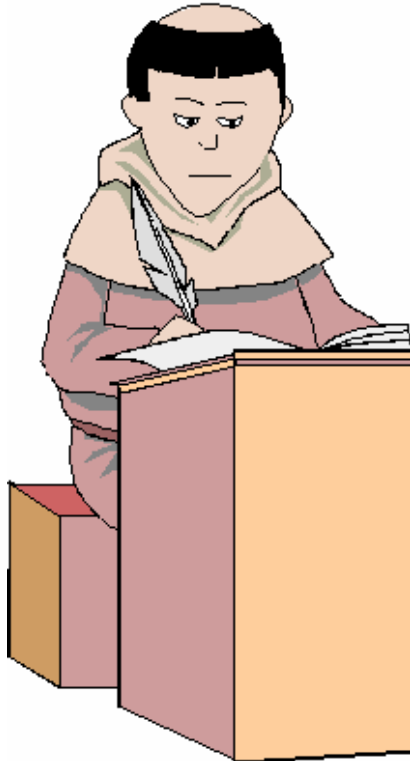
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Via the address to the right.



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I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the contributors for all their help in putting together this newsletter.

Contributions Wanted

Any and all contributions are welcomed and needed for this publication, as it's your newsletter! In particular, send me details of events you have travelled to so we can share your experience with the shire at large. Send by e-mail as a MS Word doc or TXT file to Chronicler@glenrathlin.org or by snail mail to 30 Bendigo Street Belfast BT6 8GD.

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