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Announcement! Barony Shop is now online

date: April 27, 2022 • by: Bera Oddsdottir - Webminister

<https://baronyofrisingwaters.org/announcement-barony-shop-is-now-online/>



I'm happy to announce that a project we have been working on for a couple months is now ready for the populace... The Barony of Rising Waters now has a shop available on the website!

The shop will feature both donated second hand items, garb and kit to help support our members in a cost effective way to outfit themselves, while at the same time help support the Barony with the funds earned.

Currently we have available garb for both Adults and Children and another product we are super excited about.. a page created for our event coming up this weekend: Lady Mary Memorial Tournament.

In the coming weeks we will be adding more items to the store, there is quite a lot! Make sure to check back soon to see what other items have been added!



I would like to extend much gratitude to those who I've been working on this project with. Rhys of Anglesey was my co-conspirator on this project, and spent a great deal of time cataloguing and photographing the items now available in the store. We also could not have launched this without the efforts and assistance from Baroness Sciath ingen Chaennaig, Baroness Aibhilin kennari fra Skye, and Lord Ieuan ap Gwilym.

[Visit the Store](#)

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Lady Mary Memorial Tournament III: Archery Tournament

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So, I've told you about the Prestige Armoured Combat Tournament, and the Fencing Tournament – it's time now, for the Lady Mary Memorial Archery Tournament. This tournament was established in 1992 (Anno Societatis XXVIII), and has grown in size each year. Competitors, and their inspirations, participate in the processional at the start of the day, and vie for the Archery Cup. Inscribed on the base of the cup are the names of champions of the archery tournament, including:



XXVIII – Milord Richard Belsham
XXVIII – Lord Bernard Sebastian deWolf
XXIX – Aelfric the Kestrel / Lord Bernard Sebastian deWolf
XXXI – Forrester Aelfric the Kestrel
XXXII – Forrester Aelfric the Kestrel
XXXIII – Lord Aidan Sceotend Aet Theum Mistrigum Merum
XXXIV – Forrester Aelfric the Kestrel
XXXV – Forrester Aelfric the Kestrel
XXXVI – Baron Connor Bowsplitter
XXXVII – Llywyllyn for Fruachan
XXXVIII – Llywyllyn for Fruachan
XXXIX – Connor for Ruadh
XL – Aelfric for Rose
XLI – Baron Connor Bowsplitter
XLII – THL Caleb Reynolds
XLIII – Baron Connor Bowsplitter
XLVI – Lady Katerin Starck
XLVII – THL Milhim Ibn Rashid
L – Mistress Nicolaa for Master Gunther
LII – THL Brendan
LIII – THL Ulvar van der Nederlander
LIV – THL Aelfric the Kestrel for Magistra Sciath

You'll see many names repeated in this listing, and I look forward to seeing whose name will be added (or repeated!) this year.

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Lady Mary Memorial Tournament II: Fencing Tournament

date: April 24, 2022 • by: Baroness Sciath

<https://baronyofrisingwaters.org/lady-mary-memorial-tournament-ii-fencing-tournament/>



This tournament was established in A.S. XXXI (mundanely, in May 1996). Like challengers in the armour combat tournament, fencers participate in the formal procession of all combatants with their consorts. Voice heralds are available to boast in each competitor, and combatants publicly declare whom they are fighting for and usually give a short speech on how their inspiration inspires them.

The 2022 Fencing Tournament at Lady Mary will be a Double Elimination Tournament, with the winner determined in a best 2 out of 3 for each bout (time allowing). The challengers in this tournament should bring their spiffiest gear, and aim to impress the gallery with their gallantry.

The name of the champions of each tournament is on the tournament trophy. Inscribed on the fencing tournament trophy are the following champions:

XXXI – Lord Frasier McLeod
XXXII – Lord Frasier McLeod
XXXIII – Lady Eryny Ormarsdottir
XXXIV – Lord Cerdic Weyfare
XXXV – Kildare for Josephine
XXXVI – Lord Hoskuld Thor Leiksson for
Eryny
XXXVII – Kildare for Josephine
XXXVIII – Kildare for Josephine
XXXIX – R. Fitzalwynn for Allison
XL – Sabastian for Shannon
XLI – THL Vladislav Tepelus
XLII – Lord Gareth of Eoforwic
XLIII – Lord Gareth Campbell
XLVI – THL Vladislav for H.E. Aibhilin
XLVIII – Alexander Du Lac
XLIX – THL Gareth Campbell
L – Duke Edward for Duchess Rylyn
LII – Duchess Kaylah the Cheerful for Duke
Trumbrand the Wanderer
LIII – THL Gareth Campbell
LIV – THL Gareth Campbell
LV – Plague year
LVI – Plague year



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Lady Mary, the History

date: April 23, 2022 • by: Baroness Sciath

<https://baronyofrisingwaters.org/lady-mary-the-history/>



As promised, I've come with more history of the Lady Mary Memorial Tournament. The Lady Mary Memorial Tournament is named after Lady Mary Campbell of Inverary, a Lady who was active in the early SCA Barony of Rising Waters. She passed away on October 25th, 1987 and the Barony's first major tournament was named after her. The charge in her arms was a swan, so you will see swans prominently in the decorations at the event. It is now a long-standing annual event (all plagues aside) hosted every May (usually) by the Barony of Rising Waters in the Kingdom of Ealdormere. It is popular not only with Ealdormereans, but because of its long history and close proximity to Æthelmearc and the Midrealm, there is generally a substantial foreign presence, as can be attested in the record of tournament champions.

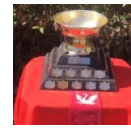
This event is notable as a being a Prestige Tourney, and the event includes tournaments for fencing, heavy combat, archery and thrown weapons tournaments; participants of all four tournaments are welcome to participate in the event processional of all combatants and their consorts. Voice heralds have been available in recent years to boast in each competitor, and combatants have the chance to declare whom they are fighting for and usually give a short speech on how their inspiration inspires them. Youth tournaments may be held, when there is interest and available youth marshals. In the spirit of the tournament, all combatants are encouraged to make a fine heraldic display and to fight in the most chivalrous possible manner. Legends suggest that the winners of the Lady Mary Memorial Tournaments are the ones to watch at the Spring Crown Tournament, which is usually the next event in Ealdormere.

This event also hosts merchants, and an Arts & Science competition. This year's A&S Activities include a pre-event virtual scavenger hunt, and a mystery box activity. Following the tournaments, the Baroness of Rising Waters invites nine additional nobles to present Lady Mary Favours. These favours are unique each year and are created by the Baroness, herself. Favours may be given for diverse recognition, from a fantastic death in the list to dedicated service, to chivalric manner and dress. The name of tournament champions are inscribed on the tournament trophies, of which there are four, and displayed at the event. The Lady

Mary Memorial Tournament Feast historically features dishes served to welcome Spring, including lamb. We look forward to hosting this year's Lady Mary Memorial Tournament on April 30th.

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Lady Mary Memorial Tournament I: Armoured Combat



date: April 18, 2022 • by:

<https://baronyofrisingwaters.org/lady-mary-memorial-tournament-i-armoured-combat/>

Hi everyone, we recognize that it's been a minute since we've been able to host the Lady Mary Memorial Tournament. There are some new folks in our community, and we look forward to witnessing the great labours of chivalry and feats that will be inscribed on the champions' trophies.

I'm going to make a few posts in the next couple of weeks about the history of this event, as we look forward to the event. This first post is focused on the armoured combat prestige tournament. This tournament was established in A.S. XXIII (mundanely, in May 1988). Combat is preceded by the formal procession of all combatants and their consorts. Voice heralds are available to boast in each competitor, and combatants publicly declare whom they are fighting for and usually give a short speech on how their inspiration inspires them.

The 2022 Armour Combat Tournament at Lady Mary will be either a Round Robin or Double Elimination Tournament to determine an ultimate winner. The finals will be fought for a total of three rounds to determine the victor of the Day. This is a prestige tournament. Entrants should ensure that their armour, soft kit, shields, and weapons are in good repair and attractive as if one was entering Crown Tournament.

The name of the champions of each tournament is on the tournament trophy. Inscribed on the armoured combat tournament trophy are

Looking forward to seeing Spring dawn at Lady Mary,
Sciath Baroness of Rising Waters

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