

The Cataract
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of the Barony of Rising Waters
Kingdom of Ealdormere
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December 10, 2024

Wassail and Seasons Greetings!

Wassail was a fantastic event, and we are so glad to have time to enjoy the start of the holidays with our friends in Ramshaven! Baron Henri mentioned in court that Wassail signals the start of the holidays for him, and I have to agree. Kudos to Countess Genevieve la Flechiere and Mabel Juniper and their admirable work stewarding another successful Wassail event. Congratulations to Magnifico Cesare on his elevation to the Order of the Pelican, and to Duke Trumbrand for his elevation to the Masters of Defence. Wassail!

Congratulations to Lord Sugawara Takamasa, who received his Award of Arms from King Crispin and Queen Anne! Wassail!

We also had three new authorizations on the list – Brandy and Samuel de Gelder both authorized for fencing, and Adam authorized for armoured combat – behold the growing might of Rising Waters!

We're hoping to see many of our community out to this weekend's Baronial Dessert Revel.

November 2, 2024

Glow in the Dark Thrown Weapons

Once the weather begins to cool, and skies darken so very early, it is time for our outdoor thrown weapons practices to break until warmer and brighter weather in the Spring. However, to end this season, we organized a Glow in the Dark tournament. In the weekend prior, the glow in the dark paint and tape were tested to ensure that the illumination would be sufficient to support safety (and fun, of course). The participants came from the Barony of Ben Dunfirth, and as far away as Toronto, to join us in some evening fun! The Noble Howell James of Town's End. Wassail! Once the tournament ended, all enjoyed steaming cups of hot chocolate and tea, courtesy of Lord Ieuan!

Eager throwers ready for an exciting tournament (Photo credit: Stuart Crump)



October 21, 2024

Huntsman's Harvest see Rising Waters Members Recognized

We attended Huntsman's Harvest this past weekend, and laud the event steward and their event team! Thank you, Barony of Ben Dunfirth for your hospitality! Kudos to Lord Cathal Mor and Noble Mihko Ren on receiving their Award of Arms at Huntsman's Harvest. Well done!



Lord Cathal is joined by his brothers, Samuel and Peter; Noble Ren receives their Award of Arms (Photo credit: Trudi Crumpwright)

October 20, 2024

New Heirs Crowned!

Congratulations to Prince Gannicus and Princess Maegwynn on your success in Their Majesties, King Crispin and Queen Anne's crown tournament.

Their Majesties granted Lady Eydis Drifa, Rising Water's Archery Champion, with an Award of the Maiden's Heart for her service to Barony and Kingdom. Wassail!



Lady Eydis receives an Award of the Maiden's Heart (Photo credit: Trudi Crumpwright)

October 6, 2024

Fall Mega Practice was Mega Fun!

Today's mega practice was fantastic! Sunny, with the heat cut by fiesty winds!

Many thanks to everyone who came to enjoy armoured combat, fencing, archery and thrown weapons. Much appreciation to our marshals – Lord Iustus of Cordoba, Fencing marshals

(shared!), Magistra Nika and Noble Rhys. Without your support, this activity could not be possible.

With great gratitude, We thank Her Majesty, Queen Anne and His Excellency, Baron Alistair Kirk for hosting today's practice, and providing a welcome space for our community to come together!



Announcing Crown Entrants for 2025 Crown Tournament

Good Gentles all, please hear (or read in this case) the names of the Combatants for Their Majesties upcoming Crown Tournament – Fall 2024

Sir Brand Thorwaldsson for Duchess Jocea Valente

Sir Aelfwyn et Langawuda for Duchess Adrielle Kerrec

Sir Guillaume le Breton for Countess Jolecia of Litchfield

Sir Gannicus the Hibernian for Mistress Maegwynn Skrautibrok

Sir Tiberius of Warwickshire for Mistress Anne Tinker

Sir Richard Larmer for Mistress Annabelle Makmyllane

The Honourable Lord Mattius of Petrea Thule for The Honourable Lord Jack Mungo the Pyrate

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Wassail Their Majesties! Wassail Ealdormere!



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From Her Excellencies' Writing Desk:



As I sit by the light of holiday decorations, with the warm glow of the Rising Water's Dessert Revel in my mind, I count my fortunes to have found myself part of the Barony of Rising Waters.

A great deal of my role consists of supporting our officers, community members, event staff – and advocating for the excellence we see in our artisans, martial community, and dedicated service community. I would like to especially thank Baron Dmitri for his leadership as Seneschal, and my lord husband – the Honourable Lord Ieuan, for his stalwart support throughout my tenure.

We have had a busy Autumn, and there is much to look forward to in the Spring – but first, let's enjoy our Winter rest. It is time to collect our strength, and kindle ideas for new ways to help Rising Waters shine.

Have you been witness to feats of service, fantastic prowess on the list, and/or daring arts and sciences projects? Let me know! One of my great joys as your Baroness is to ensure that our community members are recognized for their works.

You can always email me at risingwaters@gmail.com, or complete our recommendation form: <https://ealdormere.ca/barony-of-rising-waters/award-recommendations/>

Consider sharing your recommendation with Their Majesties, through the Kingdom Recommendation form, here: <https://ealdormere.ca/awards-submission-form-the-kingdom-of-ealdormere/>

With a hand to my heart, I wish all of our Rising Waters community a happy holiday.

Yours in Service to Barony and Kingdom,

Sciath ingen Chaennaig
Baroness of Rising Waters

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