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*Winter is coming...
actually it's already here
and won't go away.*



Are YOU ready for Spring?

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Calling all Gentles! Do you have something you'd like to share? A photo from a fight practice, or a progress shot of an A&S project? A paper or poem you wrote? An historical book, museum exhibit, or movie review? A fond memory or story of SCA history? You can submit all this and more to the Chronicler who will publish it (with much thanks and gratitude!) in the following Ursus. These kinds of contributions and displays of community spirit make The Ursus more enjoyable for all, and highlight why the SCA is a great place in which to play.

Don't be shy, you know you want to. ;)

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Letter from the Chronicler

Greetings everybear,

It has been quite a while!

The fault for this rests squarely on my shoulders, and it is time for me to be held to account.

With the help of those dear I have tidied up affairs that should have been many moons ago. Thus does the Ursus return today, and shall return again (on time!) for many moons to come.

While the wind may billow and bite, and the snow falls without respite, the Bear shows sign of rousing. Lots of events are fast approaching, and our community remains ever strong.

As always, if you have any questions/comments or submissions, you may send them to septentrian.chronicler@gmail.com.

Yours in service,
Rubeus



Posting for Minister of A&S

Greetings unto the populace,

My how time flies.

My term as Septentrian Minister of Arts and Sciences should have ended months ago, but while I talked to their Excellencies about this months ago, I never got around to putting out a call for my replacement.

The job is simple: collect and summarize the quarterly reports, and do what you can to support the arts in the Barony.

All that is required is an SCA membership. If you are interested, please contact Their Excellencies at svenandkersteken@gmail.com.

Thank you in advance.

Martin Bildner



Event Report: Season's Review

Since the last issue, a great variety of events have been hosted within our fair Kingdom.

For example, did you know that there have been several Portrait Paint Alongs? Various sitters (some even from other Kingdoms!) have graciously allowed artists of all abilities to develop their portraiture skills across a variety of mediums. One session was dedicated to making portraits for the Pennsic Gift Basket, a most generous offering from Ealdormere to Ansterorra. I have heard rumours that our painters even formed a Guild out of all this...



To add to the excitement, Royal Courts were held at regular intervals, complete with bardic showcases and general cavorting post-business. It was heartening to see our youth featured so prominently, and to watch the upcoming generation find their voices and places in our Society.

Speaking of youth, have you seen the Ealdormere Light Cavalry? The showing has been nothing short of outstanding. Youth (and those young at heart) have faithfully taken up the duty of dressage and are raising a fine team of horses for the Kingdom. My own noble steed is below.

Of course, I would be remiss for omitting the other shenanigans: Baronial 12th Nights, Canton Yule Feasts, Masked Balls, A&S Universities, and so much more. But if, looking back, you feel you've mised out, fear not! There is still lots to come.



The Pile
if arranged music for Reperatures and early English Country dancing
for use at Pennsic and other such events in the Society for Creative Anachronism
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Goddesses

Playford 1651



Arrangement © 2002, 2004 by Kathy Van Noye
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Ealdormere Brought Together

Cantons Zooming, A&S is booming, and never before has it been so easy to live the Dream with friends far away. From the comfort of your own home, here are a few ways to see all that Ealdormerians have to offer one another, and indeed the Known World:

Ealdormere at Home

From the producers that brought us *The Mildly Humourous Castle of Lupinestein* (you DID see it, didn't you?) comes this ongoing series. Originally presented in a news-style format, with bardic performances, interviews, tutorials, history, and more, each segment is now produced as its own show. Check out *In Conversation* to learn about what Officers do and how this Kingdom came to be. If A&S is more your style, try *Head, Hands, Heart, and Hope* for spotlights on artisans and how-to classes. You can also support our youth by watching *Wolf Cub Theatre*. Of course, if simply keeping up with the times is your goal, then *Missives* and *Recent and Upcoming Events* will fill the need. There's something for everyone on *Ealdormere at Home*!

Ealdormere Eats

Who doesn't like food? The Cook's Guild of Ealdormere came out with a new calendar this year, with one recipe for each month. You can be guided through the process of making the recipes by joining *Ealdormere Eats* on the last Tuesday of each month. But of course, we all need to eat in the intervening time, so the other three Tuesdays also have Zoo meetings! Come join fellow cooks and learners to try out a new foods, learn about different ingredients, discuss cooking utensils, and more. Yummy!

Skrael A&S Evenings

Do you miss the rabbit friends to the north? Do you enjoy A&S? Do you just like hanging out on a Sunday? Then the Skrael A&S Evenings are for you! Hosted by Lady Estienne, Baronial MoAS, every fourth Sunday of the month. Bring a project to work on if you have one! Sometimes there are even classes.

Don't forget, if there's any particular Canton or Barony you want to visit via the magical looking glass invention called Zoom, either check out the Canton Calendar page for more info on when they meet, or send a message of the local Senechal. We're happy to see you!

Ealdormere at Home



Upcoming Events

Blue Dragon Studium

February 6, 2021

Hosted by the Canton of Ardchreag

Mysterious dragon eggs were sent throughout the land. Each hour will be a show-and-share, hosted by the person who supplied the instructions and materials for a given egg colour, where participants can show off what they made and what they learned from the process. Spectators welcome!



Practicum

February 20, 2021

Hosted by the Canton of Caldrithig

A day of A&S activities and classes. Martial and Service are often taught and discussed too!

For more info please visit <https://caldrithigpracticum.weebly.com/>



Winter War

March 5-6, 2021

More info to come soon!

Are you keeping up your training at home? ;)

Royal Court of March

March 20, 2021

Hosted by Their Majesties of Ealdormere

For Court and other Royalty-Sanctioned Shenanigans(tm), please join us on March 20th at 7pm.



Making MAYhem

May 1, 2021

Hosted by the Stronghold of Greyfells

The number 13 is a lucky one in Ealdormere, for historical reasons that are too lengthy to mention here (but they're all cool!). To commemorate this and Ealdormere's exuberance in general, this A&S event will feature 13 categories under which you can enter your A&S projects. For more info check out <https://makingmayhemgreyfells.blogspot.com/>



Lady Mary Memorial Tournament

May 8, 2021

Hosted by the Barony of Rising Waters

More info to come soon on this virtual event!



Remember When...

During the Baronial Investiture of 2003 ("Snowed Inn"), an eight-foot high polar bear emerged from the storage room wearing a trillium and Septentrian cape. Aided by Baron Halfdan Blackanvil and Master Konrad Matias Jaeger, as the old beast had a limp, it made its way to Court to bless the work of Cynred and Gaerwen.

While it's uncertain just what this grizzly mascot was made out of (from the photo it looks like foam and fur), it's not hard to see why it's scarcely been seen since. Perhaps one day a new one will be made?



In-person meetings are cancelled, please contact the seneschal to inquire about online meetings.

February

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	VY = Vest Yorvik (Mississauga) MN = Monadh (Orangeville) BR = Beremere (Barrie) EF = Eofoawic (Toronto) PT = Petra Thule (Peterborough) SG = Skeldergate (North York) AC = Ard Chreag (Pickering)						
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Grizzly Grid # 10 - Bearstronomy

How much do you know about Ursa Major? Test your knowledge of the stars in this iconic northern constellation with the cryptogram below. Some letters are already solved for you.

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How to Make Lumbard Mustard

Medium Lumbard Mustard

A milder version of Forme of Curry recipe.

LUMBARD MUSTARD. XX.VII. V.

Take Mustard seed and waishe it & drye it in an ovne, grynde it drye. farse it thurgh a farse. clarifie hony with wyne & vynegur & stere it wel togedrer and make it thikke ynowz. & whan ou wilt spende erof make it tynne with wyne.

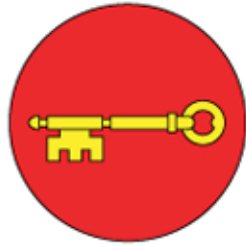
I have finally found the proper mix of mustard seeds spicy enough and mellow enough that when ground together in my large period stone mortar and pestle give the most excellent base for this Medieval honey mustard.

Ingredients: select black and yellow mustard seeds, white vinegar, honey.

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Baronial Regnum



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