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Event Calendar

**Kingdom Event *Out of Kingdom*

January 2023

- 1 *Deadline for February Tidings*
- 21 Masque by Moonlight, der Welfengau (Guelph, ON) November 2022
- 21 Blue Dragon Studium, Ard Chreag (Oshawa, ON)
- 29 Hare'd It!, Stronghold of Greyfells (Virtual)

February 2023

- 1 *Deadline for March Tidings*
- 4 Tournoi du Coeur de Glace, Bastille du Lac (Belleville, ON)
- 25 Practicum, Caldriithig (Kanata ON)

March 2023

- 1 *Deadline for April Tidings*
- 4 Winter War, Shire of Trinovantia Nova (Parkhill, ON)
- 11 Winter Wonder Whack, Barony of Rising Waters (St. Catharines, ON)
- 18 Baroness's Bunny Ball, Stronghold of Greyfells (Seeleys Bay, ON)
- 25 Kingdom Arts & Sciences Tournament, Barony of Rising Waters (St. Catharines, ON)

April 2023

- 1 *Deadline for May Tidings*

May 2023

- 1 *Deadline for June Tidings*
- 13 Lady Mary Memorial Tournament Rising Waters (St. Catharines, ON)
- 19-23 Fruits of Our Labours (Drumbo, ON)



Kingdom Event Rotation Schedule: 2023 – 2028

*(cycle repeats every 6 years, so
2029 will be the same as 2023)*

2023

- 2023 Spring A&S: Ben Dunfirth
- 2023 Spring Coronation: Septentria
- 2023 Spring Crown: Skraeling Althing
- 2023 Fall Coronation: Ramshaven
- 2023 Fall Crown: Shires
(assist from Rising Waters)

2024

- 2024 Spring A&S: Rising Waters
- 2024 Spring Coronation: Ben Dunfirth
- 2024 Spring Crown: Septentria
- 2024 Fall Coronation: Skraeling Althing
- 2024 Fall Crown: Ramshaven

2025

- 2025 Spring A&S: Shires
(assist from Ramshaven)
- 2025 Spring Coronation: Rising Waters
- 2025 Spring Crown: Ben Dunfirth
- 2025 Fall Coronation: Septentria
- 2024 Fall Crown: Skraeling Althing

2026 (as last seen in 2015)

- 2026 Spring A&S: Ramshaven
- 2026 Spring Coronation: Shires
(assist from Skraeling Althing)
- 2026 Spring Crown: Rising Waters
- 2026 Fall Coronation: Ben Dunfirth
- 2026 Fall Crown: Septentria

2027

- 2027 Spring A&S: Skraeling Althing
- 2027 Spring Coronation: Ramshaven
- 2027 Spring Crown: Shires
(assist from Septentria)
- 2027 Fall Coronation: Rising Waters
- 2027 Fall Crown: Ben Dunfirth

2028

- 2028 Spring A&S: Septentria
- 2028 Spring Coronation: Skraeling Althing
- 2028 Spring Crown: Ramshaven
- 2028 Fall Coronation: Shires
(assist from Ben Dunfirth)
- 2028 Fall Crown: Rising Waters

From Their Majesties



Greetings to the Good Citizens of Ealdormere;

Merrily is the Twelfth Night season celebrated in Ealdormere. Winter is the time for songs, poetry and playing games. Our favourite game is chivalrous combat! If you are looking for a New Year's resolutions, Our favourite resolve is to come out to more fight practices.

Ealdormerians are industrious people. Have you ever thought, "If only there was some time to get things done." Then I would make that fabulous new garb. I would do that research project. I would fix my armour. I would apply for that Kingdom Office. Yes, if only there was time....

Now is the time! Quick, before we return to our regularly scheduled events, live and in colour, and we're busier in our lives than ever before. Yes, now we will find the time to do all those things! As one of our favourite scientists, Sir Isaac Newton said, "Objects in motion remain in motion, while objects at rest remain at rest."

These cold winter nights are the perfect time to turn that pile of fabric into garb, read that book, plan how you can volunteer at an event or hone your skills on the list field. We are back, busy and it's invigorating!

By the warmth of our hearths we can play games and sing songs. Thank you to Our Royal Bard, The Honourable Baron Justinian Clarus for publishing a new songbook "Alive and in Colour" for Our Reign.

<http://unclej.ca/Alive.asp>

Whether your new year resolutions are planning an A&S project, preparing to serve the Kingdom by working at an Event, or vowing to attend more fight practices, you have the support of your kingdom's friends and family.

Wishing you a peaceful winter interlude, warm with friendship and family,

Kaylah, Queen by Right of Arms
Trumbrand, King of Grace and Twice the Patience

From Their Highnesses



Greetings upon our great kingdom of Ealdormere do we, Prince Steinnar and Princess Margiag, send greetings.

With the holidays past, we look forward to an exciting year, where we can sing the praises of Ealdormere across the known world, met, share, laugh. and celebrate Pennsic 50 together as a kingdom.

We invite all to submit to join our spring crown and ensure we have honorable heirs to stand by our side through the wars, revelry of summer and lead the kingdom forward when our time is done.

Our tournament will be random drawn double elimination tournament, with each match being best 2 of 3 passes. This will continue until we have 2 undefeated combatants on the winner side and 2 combatants with only 1 loss.

The semifinals will have each the undefeated combatant face one of the other combatants in a best 2 of 3 matches, any weapon style, with each match being best 2 of 3. Should the undefeated combatant lose the match, there will be another 2 of 3 match with the winner advancing to the finals. Should the undefeated combatant win the first match he will advance directly to the finals.

The finals will be a best 3 of 5 matches, with each match being best 2 of 3, in any weapons form.

All weapons must be in good repair and freshly taped. Shields should also be in good repair. Any visible plastic on armor should be covered. Armour and garb should attempt to present a period look, befitting one that aspires to royalty.

All fighters are expected to conduct themselves in a way that inspires those around them, through word and deed. Should we feel that a combatant is not holding themselves to this high standard, in their conduct upon the field, we will not hesitate to remove them from the lists. Please contact us if you have questions about this. We will also be attempting to contact each entry to discuss further what is expected.

Crown represents the best we as a society have to offer. Our expectation is that those who enter this list do so with the knowledge that their behaviour and presence is the beacon around which our kingdom gathers around. Our kingdom deserves the very best to lead them and we know that those inspiring individuals will come out victorious on that day.

Letters of intent are due 14 days prior to the tournament day, and need to be delivery to both the Senechal and ourselves. The date is still TBD.

Their Highness of Ealdormere,
Prince Steinarr Aggarson and Princess Margaig of Erainn

From The Seneschal



Greetings everyone,

I am very pleased to announce that Baroness Lucia de Moranza has been approved to be your next Kingdom Seneschal. She will be stepping into the position in Spring/Summer 2023.

As well, Hryvoje Mihajovic has accepted the Media Relations deputy from Baroness Avelyne and Thorfinna gra'feldr has taken on the Waiver Secretary deputy position from Baroness Anne Tinker. Thank you to both the incoming and outgoing deputies. Wassail to you all.

In regard to the ongoing membership issue where memberships that should be listed as Ealdormere are being incorrectly attributed to the Middle Kingdom; I have heard from Louise du Cray (VP for Corporate Operations) and they are actively working on the issue. Hopefully a resolution will be happening soon. Thank you for your patience.

At the time of writing this letter we are still short bids for two Kingdom events for this year (Spring Coronation and Fall Crown) and we have no bids for any Kingdom events in 2024. I know that many of us are still playing catch up and trying to get up to speed after the pandemic shutdowns but please start looking ahead for these events.

To help with running events a new event stewards handbook has been published on the website. You can find it in the Library under the event stewards heading. Thank you to Dame Petra of the Rozakii and THL Constance of Caldrithig for their work in getting this much needed update accomplished. If you are new to the role of event steward it is the resource to read. If you are an experienced event steward, then you are encouraged to read it as well as there have been a number of changes over the recent years and it would be good to get yourself up-to-date.

A further note in regard to running events, Dame Petra has been working hard to get the event bid forms updated and we are close to getting those published as well. This will help streamline the whole process for both bidding for an event and reporting afterwards.

In service,
Xristina (she/her)
Ealdormere Seneschal

PROPOSED LAW CHANGE: EALDORMERE SUMPTUARY LAWS, SYMBOLS OF RANK

The Proposal to grant the right to wear a gold coronet adorned with six pearls to include those who have earned their Court Baronacy for having served as Territorial Baronial Nobles.

ARTICLE XII – Order of Precedence and Symbols of Rank

XII-200 Symbols of Rank

XII-201 Only Dukes and Duchesses may wear a coronet adorned with strawberry leaves.

XII-202 Only Counts and Countesses may wear a gold embattled coronet.

XII-203 Only Viscounts and Viscountesses of Ealdormere may wear a silver embattled coronet.

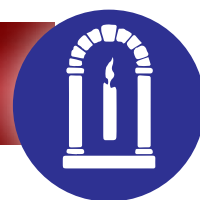
XII-204 Only Territorial Baronial Nobles may wear a gold coronet adorned with six pearls (spheroids), [which may be adorned with the full baronial arms](#).

[XII-205 Only those who are Court Baronial Nobles and have formerly served as Territorial Baronial Nobles, may wear a gold coronet adorned with six pearls \(spheroids\).](#)

[XII-206 Only Court Baronial Nobles may wear a silver coronet adorned with six pearls \(spheroids\).](#)

[XII-207 Any individual who has earned the right to bear a symbol of rank from another Kingdom may continue to bear that symbol within Ealdormere.](#)

From the Minister of Arts & Sciences



Happy New Year. I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays and Twelfth Night activities. I know that some people have been busy over the holidays with arts and sciences projects, and I am hoping that we get to see some of the results at Kingdom A&S in the Spring.

That's right! Kingdom A&S will take place March 25, 2023, in the Barony of Rising Waters. You can find the Kingdom A&S rules on the Kingdom webpage under Library in the Arts and Science section. Pre-registration is encouraged.

Are you thinking of entering? Do it! Are you thinking of doing the Pentathlon? Do it! Are you wanting to just put something on display? Do it!! Ealdormere wants to see your arts and sciences. Have some fun creating and then participating.

Some submissions deadlines dates:

- March 4 – research papers
- March 11 - documentation for scored projects
- March 18 – documentation for non-scored items (will receive feedback)
- Makes sure you email your documentation to me (ealdormere.kmoas@gmail.com) on or before those dates.

Feel free to ask any questions.

YIS, Marina

From the Lawspeaker



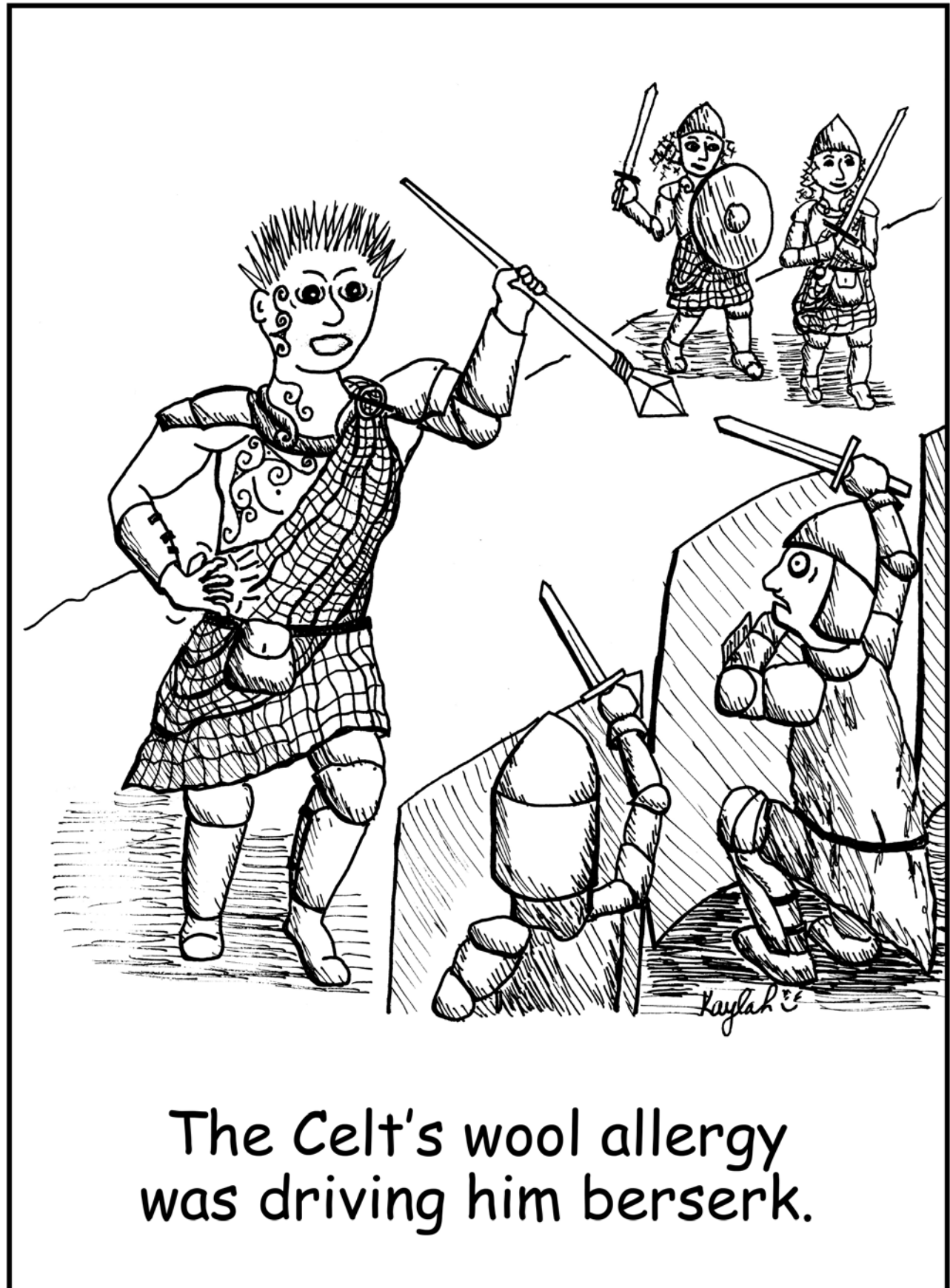
Greetings to the populace of Ealdormere from your Lawspeaker. There was a very engaging Moot at Feast of the Hare, in response to a question for Baron Brand. He explained about the newcomers corners that he has been hosting at various events. He described it as a safe place to ask questions and explain SCA jargon, and asked what other topics could be discussed. Here are some of the suggestions:

- How to address people: preferably a visual guide like on the SCA website
- A show and tell perhaps
- What is a household and how to join one
- Next steps for newcomers
- How event planning works and how they are run
- How courses work, how you can find out more on your own, maybe like An Tir and their universities
- What we expect in peoples first garb
- Camping: who do I camp with, how do I put my name in to camp with people
- How do we reach people online better; more specific links on websites; discord reach outs, using the voice chat in discord
- What is going on in court
- What are the armour requirements; how do you make it; where do I get it
- What is a persona and how do you develop it?
- If someone has mundane hobbies how do they 'make it medieval'
- Why do we call it garb; what is a coif; what is a tunic?
- Why did we get started in the first place (talk about the dream)?
- Local chatelaines: what can we do to help them
- Top 5 SCA myths

Another suggestion was that we could use the newcomers corner as a place to create something of a buddy system, where people could help each other out, and follow up directly with more experienced members who had joined the safe space for questions. There were also question about whether there a plan\way to revisit old topics, or maybe even record/ document such gatherings. There was no definitive answer on this, though the Ealdormere Discord and some improvements to our information and links on the Kingdom website were suggested options.

YIS, Siglinde Harfnerstochter





The Celt's wool allergy
was driving him berserk.

EVENTS

Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.



Masque by Moonlight

Saturday January 21, 2023

An evening of feasting and merriment to ward off the winter's chill!

Hosted by: Canton of der Welfengau
Location: Guelph Curling Club
816 Woolwich St. Guelph, ON N1H 6J2
Entry: Doors open at 5:00pm, Close 11:00pm
Fees: \$30 for adult members, \$35 for adult non-members
Youth (under 18): \$20 | Youth non-member (under 18) \$25
Feast included in Entry Fee
Please make out cheques to SCA - Der Wulfengau
Event Steward: Lucia de Moranza (Heather Bogart)
masquebymoonlight@gmail.com
Website: <https://sites.google.com/view/masquebymoonlight/home>



Save the Date! War of the
Phoenix - the Resurrection
Feb 1-5, 2023
at the Phoenix International
Raceway

REGISTRATION OPENS SEPTEMBER 1ST ON SCARS!
<https://members.sca.org/apps/#MtgDetail/00001354>

Hosted by the Kingdom of Atenveldt (Arizona)

Website <https://www.atenveldt.org/war-of-the-phoenix>
Facebook group: www.facebook.com/warofthephoenix

Blue Dragonm Studium

Hosted by the Canton of Ard Chreag

Event Date: Jan 21 2023, 9am - 3pm
Location: Woodview Community Centre
151 Cadillac Ave N, Oshawa, ON, L1G 6C3
Entry Fee: Adult Members - \$20, Non-Members - \$25,
Ages 12-17 - \$10, Ages 11-2 - \$5, Under 2 - Free
Make cheques out to Canton of Ardcreag
Lunch Fee: TBA
Event Steward: Deidre Skogstrom | stephaniemavin@gmail.com
Website: <https://fb.me/e/42mdqa2Vd>
Class Registration:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Q1kvKZ-J_4K76E0e-JV-OWIyNhqksYC0SkTlpuAelxE/edit?usp=sharing



Hare'd It!

Hosted by the Canton of Greyfells

Event Date: Jan 29, 2023, 12pm to 5pm
Location: Online via Zoom
Host group: Canton of Greyfells
Entry Fee: FREE!
Event stewards: Thorfinna gra'feldr and Colyne Stewart
Website: <https://haredit.blogspot.com/>
<https://www.facebook.com/events/533197551650098>



Think you've got what it takes to take part in a head to head kitchen combat online event that combines historical authenticity with the silliness Greyfells is known for? *Then have we got good news for you!* Introducing Hare'd It!, an online cooking competition event based on the hit TV show Nailed It! Contestants (in teams of up to three) will wage culinary warfare from the comforts of their own kitchens, attempting to create a subtlety* that not only tastes great but also clearly resembles a heraldic beast! The yum factour of your results will have to be reported by you and your teammates (we trust you!) while your presentation, methodology, showpersonship, and overall aw factour will be judged by a panel of four arbiters of awesomeness! The judges panel will include celebrated Ealdormerean cooks, heraldic experts, and people who just love food! A prize will be awarded, donated by Their Excellencies Skraeling Althing, Dubhessa and Joffr.



*The Shire of Bastille du Lac would like to invite all
Armoured and Rapier combatants to compete in the first tournament of the year,*

Tournoi du Coeur de Glace!

The day will begin with a procession of fighters and consorts. If you do not have a consort, feel free to fight for your King, Queen, Prince, Princess, Baron, Baroness, Family, or Friends. As in previous years, the tournament will alternate between Armoured and Rapier Combat. A shield tree will be in use to track the tournament. Please be advised that great weapons will be limited due to ceiling height. Prizes will be provided to the First, Second, and Third place competitors for both the Armoured, and Rapier tournaments.

- Date :** Saturday, February 4, 2023
- Location:** Belleville Fish and Game Club
170 Elmwood Drive, Belleville, Ontario K8N 4Z4
- Fees:** Adult \$25.00, Member Discount Applied \$20.00
Children under 16 free
- Lunch:** information will follow on our event website.
- Autocrat:** Isabel Atwyll (Candace Moynihan)
Isabel.Atwyll@gmail.com
- Co-Autocrat :** Matilda of Swynford (Deb Mattingly)
Baronessmatilda@gmail.com

There will be no feast, please plan accordingly.

Directions:

- Directions from the east and west
- Take 401 towards Belleville exit at Shannonville Rd. (Shannonville rd. Is located between Belleville and Napanee)
- Turn South for 1km to Airport Parkway
- Turn right (west) on Airport Parkway
- Follow Airport Parkway for 5km to Elmwood Dr.
- Site is half way down Elmwood Drive on Left
- Signs will be posted

Practicum

Pastyme in gode companye

Hosted by the Canton of Caldriithig

- Date:** February 25, 2023
- Location:** Kanata United Church
33 Leacock Dr., Kanata K2K 2B9
- Site opens:** 8:30am to 7pm. Classes begin at 9am, run until 5
- Fees:** Adult Registration: \$15
Member discounted Registration \$10
Make cheques payable to SCA-Caldriithig
(No cheques will be accepted at gate)
- Stewards:** Constance of Caldriithig (Heather Hanna) and
Petronill of Seashire (Adrienne Seel)
- Email:** practicum.steward@gmail.com
- Website:** <https://ancienbroiderie.com/practicum-2023/>



Good friends, we are finding the prospect of the return of winter and possible plague difficult. Would you care to share with us your favourite things for a day when you must stay behind your doors? In the middle of February when it seems like winter will never leave the northern climes, we hope to host a gathering to learn new pastymes and take joy of your beloved interests.

Winter War XXXIV

Hosted by the Shire of Trinovantia Nova

- Date:** **Saturday** March 4 2023 | 10am, closes at 10pm
- Location:** North Middlesex District High School
100 Main Street, Parkhill, ON N0M 2K0
- Fees:** \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members
Youth (12-17) \$10, Under 12 free.
- Event Stewards:** THL Aidan Sceotend aet thaem Mistigum Merum (Brent McCrackin)
and Lady Marrin von Waldburg (Jenna Hegler)
- Event Information and Reservations Contact:** trinovantia@gmail.com



Winter Wonder Whack

MEGA PRACTICE

Hosted by the Barone of Rising Waters

Date: February 11, 2023
Location: Prince of Wales Public School
95 Facer St, St. Catherines ON L2M 5J6
Site opens: 2pm - 5pm
Fees: Donations appreciated.
Steward: Sciath ingen Chaennaig (Trudi Crumpwright)
Email: risingwaters@gmail.com
Website:
https://www.facebook.com/events/865720911243489?active_tab=about

This MEGA PRACTICE will include armoured combat, fencing, and space for artisans and socializing. Please bring non-marking shoes for the gym.

Kingdom Arts & Sciences Tournament

Hosted by the Barone of Rising Waters

Date: Saturday March 25 2023 | 9am, closes at 7pm
Location: Eden High School
535 Lake St., St. Catherines, ON L2N 4H7
Fees: Adults \$25; \$20 member discount
Event Stewards: Magistra Nika Dmitrieva doch' Zvezdina (Susan Carroll-Clark)
Baroness Sciath ingen Chaennaig (Trudi Crumpwright)
Email: herissonycat@gmail.com, risingwaters@gmail.com
Website: <https://baronyofrisingwaters.org/kas2023/>
Social Media: <https://www.facebook.com/events/201443430569899/>

Fruits of Our Labours XVI

Sugar and Spice

A fun filled weekend of classes of all kinds and some martial activities on the side.

Hosted by the Shire of Bryniau Tywynnog

Date: Friday May 19 - Monday 23 2023 | pens 4pm on 19th, closes at 12pm 23rd
Victoria Day Weekend

Location: Camp Impeesa
827559 Twp. Rd. 8, Drumbo, On. N0J 1G0

Fees:

Adults: (18+)	\$45 for the weekend
	\$25 day trip
	\$5 member discount
Youth: (14-17)	\$20 weekend
	\$10 day trip
Children (under 14)	Free

Camping: FREE

Event Stewards: Odette de Saint Remy (Nina Bates) | ladyodette@gmail.com

Event Information and Reservations Contact: trinovantia@gmail.com

Website: <http://angryhat.com/fool>

TIDINGS SUBMISSIONS

Have an event announcement? A short story, news, or a research article that you would like to share? The Tidings has room for submissions!

To submit, please email ealdormere.kchronicler@gmail.com and include your SCA name with your submission.

Deadlines:

January 1st - February Tidings

February 1st - March Tidings

March 1st - April Tidings

April 1st - May Tidings

*Please register events at <https://www.ealdormere.ca/how-to-register-your-event.html>

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