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Meetings

Our populace/officers meetings are held every third Thursday of the month at Thorpe Park Community Center in Flagstaff from 6:30p to 8:00p. Thorpe Park Community Center is located in Flagstaff at 245 N. Thorpe Rd.

Our meetings usually cover discussion of business items, plans for upcoming events, and occasionally a dance practice if time permits.

We usually go out for pizza after the meeting. Please feel free to join us!

OUR WORDS

Greetings All!

Estrella is over and from what We hear, was one of the best Wars in several years. HE Henry was at Estrella for several days before returning home to take care of HE Eirny, who was trying to get over the “crud” before Gulf War.

Once again We are at Gulf War with HE Eirny’s business. During our long drive, We spoke at great length about Our Barony and the great things that people have done.

Returning to Gulf War is always a great joy for Us. We see many old friends from across the Known World, and meet new friends. TE Henry & Eirny will be actively meeting with Siege, Equestrian, and others to make Highlands War known to all and encourage attendance by people from other Kingdoms.

We have watched Gulf’s activities step up on all fronts. The fighting is always magnificent, but as We read the A&S schedule, We realized that in many Kingdoms there is a tradition of teaching classes that take several days to complete.

As for Ourselves, We will “dust off” classes that We have not taught since coming to Atenveldt. HE Henry will teach a 16th century method of brewing beer and ale without using thermometers which will be tasted Friday or Saturday of Highlands. HE Eirny will teach a variety of classes.

We know that some of you will not be able to attend Highlands for a variety of reasons. But there’s still plenty that YOU can do to help make Highlands a spectacular event even if you can’t go to war. We plan to have at least one work weekend to get the site prepared for war – you can camp during that weekend with no fee – the area is gorgeous!

There’s a lot to do. Please volunteer in any capacity to help the Ladies Violet and Dubhchobhlaigh with planning and executing this war. We have a preliminary layout of the site with camping, battlefields, archery, siege weapons, Arts & Science, and an equestrian arena. We have storage near to the site in Alpine for Highlands-only things.

We have site-tested a new piece of equipment to provide Our merchants with credit card machine communications, and limited cell phone access within the merchant area. We tested the equipment using three simultaneous cellular connections with success. The test setup was not ideal for the system, but we know that we’ll be able to provide necessary communications for Our merchants and limited cell phone service in the merchant area.

Please tell your friends:

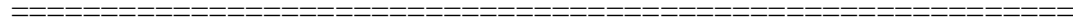
We plan to have a shower trailer on site.

An emergency phone number will be provided on site for important in-coming calls.

There will be water on site, but people should bring their own drinking water.

Yours in Service,

Baron Henry & Baroness Eirny



Baronial Officers –

Last year We told those assembled at several meetings/events that We will be publishing office want ads where the current office holder’s warrant is due to expire. It is Our policy to accept an officer’s extension for one year beyond the current expiration of their warrant. We want to broaden our office corps including Deputies and Greater and Lesser Officer.

Thegn Gunnar, Our current A&S Champion, has graciously accepted the position of Interim A&S Officer. He has agreed to serve for a year as A&S Officer, but to make everything conform to Kingdom regulations the position was advertised and is now filled by Thegn Gunnar. We would like to find at least two A&S Deputies to help lighten the load for all involved and make it easier to cover various events.

Barony of Ered Sûl Herald – Lady Lora of the Four Paws (Laura Minas) is our current baronial herald with a warrant that expires in July of 2014. Having more than one person who understands the duties of the herald and can “cover” in the absence of the main herald is a good thing. We would like to find her at least one or two official deputies.

Requirements: The Deputy Herald Position is divided into three areas of responsibility, the same as the regular Herald – voice heraldry, court recording, and helping baronial members with heraldic and name submissions.

Voice Heraldry requires that the Herald is capable of starting, running and concluding a baronial court, and working with other baronial and kingdom heralds. The herald must keep track of the activities that are to occur during the court, control the distribution of scrolls and award medallions, and generally assist with the flow of court. The herald should be able to travel to distant events at least some of the time.

Court Recording means that the herald is must report the awards that are given in court to the Kingdom heralds so that the Kingdom OP may be kept current. The Herald needs to also periodically review the Kingdom OP to make sure that Kingdom is entering the award information correctly.

Heraldic and Name Submissions are an important part of the Herald’s duty. The populace needs assistance in negotiating the rules for name and research and submission.

The Baronial Herald Deputies must have access to the unofficial Ered Sul Facebook postings and the Official Communications Channel on the Baronial Yahoo Group.

Baronial Chatelaine: Banthehn Sauenn has volunteered to be Our Chatelaine. We are accepting letters for those wishing to be considered for this position.

Deputy Baronial Chatelaine: Alice Annie has also volunteered to assist with the Baronial Chatelaine's position as a Deputy. We are accepting letters for those wishing to be considered for this position.

Baronial Youth Officer: We are accepting letters for those wishing to be considered for this position.

To apply for any Officer or Deputy position, you must send a letter of intent to the Baron and Baroness. This letter must include your name, membership number, SCA experience, and contact information. In addition, if you are applying for the first time, We would like to hear your ideas for classes and workshops and your goals for this office. If you are currently holding this office we would like an honest assessment of what sort of a job you feel you have been doing in this position, how you feel you can improve your performance, and your plans for the future.

Yours in Service,

Baron Henry & Baroness Eirny
Protectors of All Things Wooly

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OFFICER REPORTS

Herald's Report February 2013

All was quiet in February. Nothing to report. Only activity was people preparing for Estrella and planned visits to herald's point.

Yours in service,
Lora of the Four Paws

Monthly A&S Minister Report

Please fill in the shaded sections

Group	Barony of Ered Sul	
Month/Year	02/2013	
A&S Minister	Gunnar Skullsplitter	
Please use the section below to list the classes taught in your group this month:		
Title Of Class	Teacher	Total Attendance
Estrella War prep	Mistress Eirny	10

Activities/Demos and other A&S related projects done this month?		
What seems to be working?		
Group classes.		
What does not seem to be working?		
Any Concerns?		
Not at this time.		

KINGDOM EVENTS

Kingdom Newsletters Online ... a hidden gem

Did you know there are over 600 “Sustaining” SCA members in Atenveldt and every single one of you has access to the on-line newsletters, however less than quarter of you use the site. Please read on and I hope I can persuade you to give it a try.

You might get event information from Facebook but there is more to the Kingdom newsletters than listings and officers. We have event photos, recipes, A&S articles and more ... every month we try to bring you something unique so that the newsletter has something more than the news you get from social media.

You also have access to every SCA Kingdom newsletter and supplement as well as BoD minutes. They are all worth a read and you can save or print pages from any newsletter too.

As well as 600+ “Sustaining” members there are an additional 500 “Family” members in Atenveldt who don’t have the privilege of a login so share (that’s how it works in my house). You’ve paid out good money to be a member of the SCA, so take every benefit that membership has to offer.

To access SCA newsletters - a Sustaining member can login for the first time with their membership number and the temporary password “start” (then create a unique password) go to www.sca.org and click the newsletter link.

If you need any help, let me know

Dame Anita, Atenveldt Kingdom Chronicler, chronicler@atenveldt.org

Peerage Circles

Their Majesties have requested a Pelican circle and Laurel circle on Saturday March 30th at Mixed Weapons

Cut & Thrust

Sunday, March 17, 2013

Barony of Atenveldt

ISLAND OF GOTLAND ~ 1398

“God’s friends and the whole world’s enemies”, the famous battle cry of the powerful pirate band known as the VITALIAN BROTHERHOOD, can be heard in the harbors and cities along the coasts of the Baltic Sea. Once simple privateers hired by the Dukes of Mecklenburg to fight against Denmark, they engaged in war at sea and shipped food to the city of Stockholm to keep her supplied.

Soon after however, the brotherhood turned to open piracy and coastal plunder. Now, at the peak of power, having conquered the Island of Gotland and establishing their headquarters in Visby, their incessant raiding of everyone’s shipping has caused maritime trade in the Baltic Sea to utterly collapse.

At last, Queen Margaret of Denmark and King Albert of Sweden have conceded Gotland to the allied TEUTONIC ORDER as a pledge, (similar to a fiefdom), with the understanding that the Knights would exterminate the pirating Vitalian Brothers from their strategic island stronghold and deliver the known world from these menacing marauders and so the mayhem begins! Can history be re written? Site is HOLLIS PARK, 3421 S Kenneth Place, Tempe, AZ 85282. Major cross roads are Dorsey Ln and Malibu Dr.

Site opens at 9:00am and closes at 5:00pm. Site is damp. Please, no glass containers. Pets allowed on leashes and you must clean up after them. Shade pop ups are allowed but no staking.

Members are \$5, Non-members are \$10 and Youth 17 and under are FREE.

Autocrats: Lady Edeline de Diekirche & Lord Jerome the True (602) 647-0726

Come one, come all ~ witness the thrilling rapier battles of the notorious Vitalian Brotherhood, as they desperately defend their territory against the invading Teutonic Knights! There will be a GRAND PRIZE to the victor! The last standing fighter, be he or she Brotherhood or Teutonic Knight!

Picnic Pot Luck ~ The Barony will provide fried and baked chicken. Please bring a picnic style dish enough to feed 5 or more adults. Don't forget your feast gear!

Bring out your period games to share! Lots of FUN! There will also be a PIRATE STYLE TREASURE HUNT for kids 12 and under!

Great Helm Tournament March 23-24, 2013 Barony of Tir Ysgithr

Greetings to all! It is time once again to gather in The Gem of Atenveldt, Tir Ysgithr for Great Helm! Join us to see who our new Baronial guard will be! Saturday the 23rd will be the Great Helm Tournament and Youth Champion Tournament. Sunday the 24th will be the guardsmen tournament and rapier captain tournament.

Saturday, we will have a grilled chicken lunch prepared by Mistress Thyri covered by site cost. We will also have a potluck for sides so please bring a dish to share! There will also be a silent auction to benefit BTY's archery community to cover the cost of items lost from a break-in to their trailer. We will also have an artisans display so please bring out your amazing crafts to share!

Sunday we will be holding the Bard of the Boar competition! Be prepared to sing or tell a story for Their Excellencies! Sign up after opening court Sunday. The competition will be held throughout the day under the Pyg. Come and let your voice be heard!

The site is Himmel Park, located at 1035 N. Treat Avenue, Tucson, AZ. Parking is available in the parking lots and at the curbside.

Site opens at 9:00 A.M. and closes at 5:00 P.M. both days. Opening court for both days will be at 10:30 A.M., with closing court each afternoon following the end of the day's tournaments and fighting.

Site fee for the weekend is \$5.00 for members (non-members fee is an additional \$5.00). Children 5 and older are \$1.00. Site is discreetly wet, no bottles.

Mixed Weapons War & Seminar March 29-31, 2013 Barony of SunDragon

Now that Estrella War XXIX is over let us regroup, repair and rebuild our warriors. The Barony of SunDragon will host three days of group and individual tournaments in as many styles as we can muster including equestrian. Seminars will be scheduled to cover many aspects of war including building, maintaining and repairing armor.

Location: Bumble Bee Ranch, Bumble Bee, Arizona. Site opens: Noon March 29, 2013, closes 5pm March 31, 2013

Adult members: \$14 if camping all weekend, \$8 for day trip

Youth (ages 16 and 17) members: \$9 if camping, \$6 for day trip

Non-member adult: additional \$5

Children (ages 15 and younger): free

The parking fee is the same as last year: \$7 per vehicle for camping, \$5 per vehicle for a day trip. Parking must be paid with cash. Just like last year, each adult must sign the Ranch waiver, whether camping or day tripping.

Event Coordinators: Her Ladyship Gepa of SunDragon – 623-521-4598 – jep_kajepa@yahoo.com

Lord Gereon Lautermilch der Betruger – 602-626-0144 – Michael.Laudermilk@gmail.com

There will be no feast or pot-luck, but there will be a “bring your own picnic” Saturday evening. Free Pancake Breakfast Sunday morning. Free Hot Dog Lunch Sunday afternoon

Barmaids

April 20-21 2013

Barony March Mons Tonitrus

Site: Lower Garden Canyon, Fort Huachuca

Site Opens Friday, April 19th at 2pm; Site Closes: Sunday at 5 pm

Site Fee: \$10 for Adult Members; \$15 for Adult non-Members \$8 for Youth 7-17; \$0 for Youth 5 or Under

Come join us for the usual shenaniganery and fun at Barmaids in beautiful Lower Garden Canyon! Your hosts, Lady Eva and Lady Nest have lots of fun planned! Further details to come! Site is WET, AZ drinking laws apply.

Fort Huachuca is a US Army base, so you must show ID for all adults and school-aged children. Also have your vehicle Insurance and Registration ready in case they revert to their previous admissions policy.

Gaelic Games

April 26-28 2013

Shire of Windale, Kingman

As the warm dry winds gently blow across the high desert lands of Windale ... ok so maybe they are gusting but that will not stop the Shire of Windale from preparing for Gaelic Games. This year will be a camping event at Neal Butler Park, so we will have more time for games and merriment.

As always we will be bring back some of your favorite games, hobby horse joust, a scavenger hunt, cattle raid and the tossing of some kind of farm animal. There may be a few new games to try your hand at also. We will have some games for the children and youth (this will not be an

official children's corner). Once again the hard suiters will be out there "tending" the fields or so they say as they swing the farming tools at each other.

There are some trees but bring shade, discretely wet, pets on leashes, above ground fire pits only, stone privies, smoking is allowed, please be responsible. There is plenty of room to park dry RV's at no additional site fee cost. Merchants are welcome.

Site: Neal Butler Park, 3027 Jagerson Ave. Take your best route to I-40 into Kingman, Exit 51, Stockton Hill Rd. Turn north, continue 3.6 miles. Turn right onto Jagerson and continue approximately 1.7 miles to Neil Butler Park on the left side of the road. Signs will be posted from the freeway to the event site.

Site will open: 2pm on Friday and close Sunday at 12pm.

Site fee: members \$15.00 for the weekend, nonmembers \$20.00.

Day trip fee members \$7.00, nonmembers \$12.00, Youth (5-17) \$7.00, under 5 years free.

Autocrat: Mistress Aimee Douglas (Julie Holmes) 928-753-6648 or 928-530-6648
mjholmes@citlink.

Gawd Awful Grail & Baronial Archery Tourney Barony of Tir Ysgithr April 27 2013

Site: Greenfields Country Day School, 6000 N. Camino De La Tierra, Tucson, AZ 85741

Site Fee: \$6 members, \$11 non-members, \$3 youth 5-17

Site Steward: Sely Bloxam snotblossom@cox.net 520-465-8357 (no calls after 9pm, please)

Archery Steward: Lady Aeryn radigund@gmail.com

The time for one of Tir Ysgithr's most honored and venerable treasures to find a new home draws near. All unbelted heavy combat fighters are welcome to test their mettle and prove their worthiness to claim the prize of the Gawd Awful Grail. There will also be tourneys for rapier and youth fighters for the Gruesome Gawd Awful Goblet and Gawdy Goblet. Visitors from other Baronies are also most welcome, but please understand that we wish for our treasured artifacts to stay within our Barony, so although non-Baronial members may be allowed to fight in the tourneys, the winner must reside in Tir Ysgithr.

New this year, we will also be able to hold our Baronial Archery Championship at the same site! A fundraising bake sale is planned for the archery community and there are rumors of another Awful Artworks artisans display. Watch for more details about the archery competition

This event is truly not to be missed! There is something for everyone on this day, and Their Excellencies, Zhigmun and Aleyd hope to see as many of Their populace in attendance as possible.

As this site is a school, leashed service animals are welcome, but pets should be left at home, and smoking and alcohol are not allowed on the premises. There will be shade and drinking water, and there is also room for personal pavilions.

Atenveldt Coronation

May 4-5, 2013

Join us in a wonderful solar display in the merry month of May, as we bid farewell to our beloved monarch's Tristan & Damiana and watch the new solar royalty ascend the throne of all Atenveldt.

A weekend of pageantry, gallantry, and spectacle will take place at the Francisco Grande Resort, 26000 W. Gila Bend Highway Casa Grande, Arizona 85293.

To book rooms, call the Francisco Grande Resort at 800-237-4238 or 520-836-6444 and ask for the SCA rate of \$95 per night for the Tower rooms or \$115 for the suites. In addition, a block of rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn on Pinal and Florence at a rate of \$75 per night. Please call the Holiday Inn at 1-855-426-3500 and mention the Society for Creative Anachronism. Breakfast buffet is included in the Holiday Inn room rate.

We will have the ballroom for Coronation on Saturday and the grassed area on Sunday for tournaments. There will be no feast, but concessions and restaurants are available on site and nearby in the town of Casa Grande.

Site Fees; \$10 for adult members 18 and older (add \$5 for non-members) \$5 for youth age 10-17 and under 10 are free.

Boar-onial A&S Competition Ysgithr

May 11th, 2013

Barony of Tir

Once again the Barony of Tir Ysgithr calls forth the artisans of the Kingdom to gather for the Boar-onial Arts and Sciences Competition so please join Their Excellencies Zhigmun' and Aleyd as They anoint Their new A&S Champion. Everyone is welcome to compete in the Open and Novice divisions. (Although you must be a member of the Barony to declare for Champion).

NO Pre-registration needed - Just bring your completed work of art (or science), with accompanying documentation to the event that morning and register before court begins! Please view the current A&S rules for documentation criteria and expectations. The baronial competition rules for 2013 are at <http://www.btysca.org/arts-and-science/>, and the categories are at <http://arts.atenveldt.org/>. (We hope to have brewing categories again this year, but it is contingent on finding a nearby off-site location at which judging can take place. Details will follow as available.

Judges are needed too and you do not need to be a Kingdom Certified Judge for this competition. If anyone has any further questions please contact the Tir Ysgithr MoAS, Lady Clarice Alienor Neep, at as@btysca.org.

As always, we will have additional activities for the enjoyment of all. There will be Martial Arts tournaments and activities for the youth.

Greenfields Country Day School, 6000 N Camino de la Tierra, Tucson AZ 85741
Site fee - \$6 for SCA members; \$11 non-members; \$2 youth 5-17
Autocrat: Master Mederic de Chatellerault (mederiksca@yahoo.com, 520-304-8436)

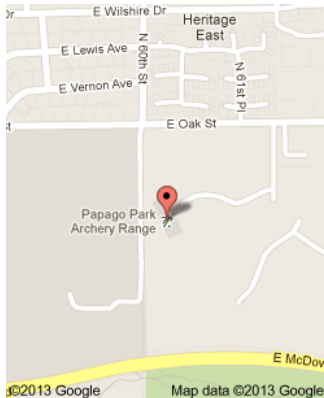
MONTHLY TRI-BARONIAL YOUTH & FAMILY ARCHERY DAY

First Sunday of Every Month

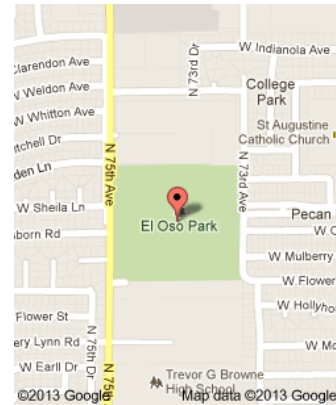
Come one, come all, and join the Baronies of Twin Moons, Atenveldt and Sundragon as we come together with our youth and families for a great time on the archery range! Our shoot is on the first Sunday each month to alternate between El Oso and Papago archery ranges. Start time is approximately 8:00 (subject to change)

- There will be standard and other interesting targets and scenarios for youth and adults alike as well as a variety of classes offered to hone your skills!
- If you are a beginner or know one, this is a great opportunity to get out there and see what fun archery is! Loaner gear is available and site is always FREE!
- Water and other beverages will be provided. Everyone is invited to bring a light snack to share if they like.

Papago Park Archery Range is located on the NW corner of 64th street and McDowell road in Phoenix, AZ



El Oso Park (Peoria) 3451 N 75th Ave
Phoenix, AZ 85033



<u>CALENDAR SCHEDULE</u>	
April 2013	Papago Park
May 2013	El Oso Park
June 2013	Papago

BARONIAL REGNUM

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