

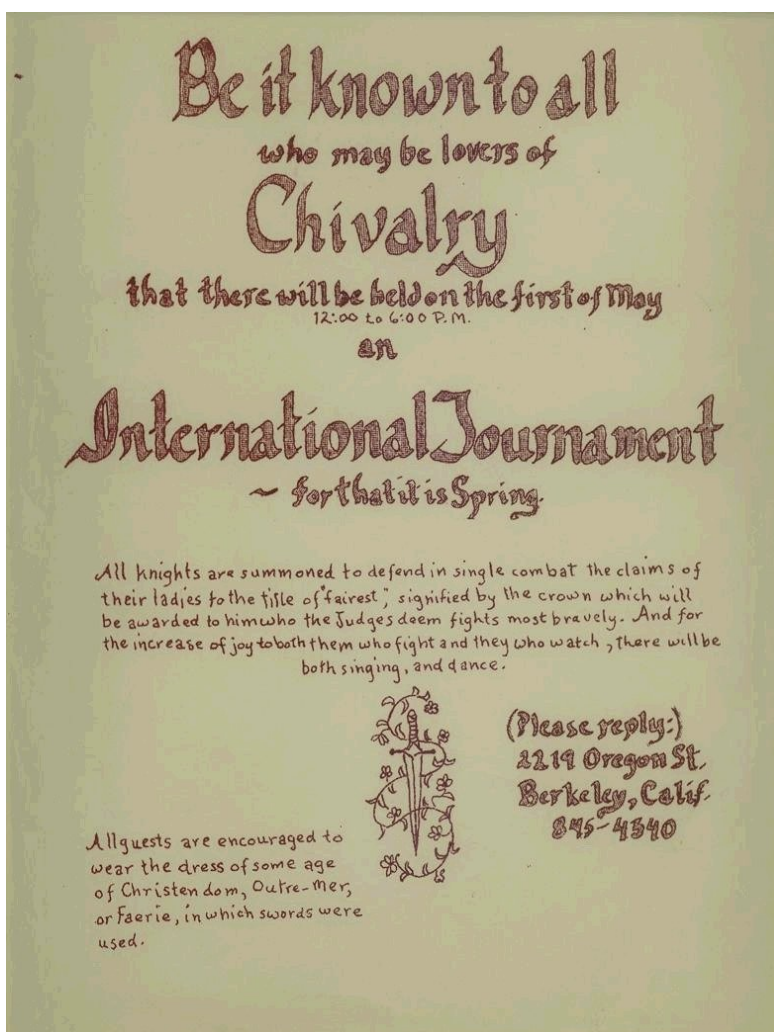
MEWSLETTER



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happy birthday SCA



Flyer from the first tournament May 1, 1966

MAY 18 MOOT

1:00 Sunday TBA (sorry-if not one tells me I can't print it—Ealasaid)

UPCOMING MOOTS AND PRACTICE

- May 18 moot TBA
- June 8 at Alex & Janvier's (during Artsy Fartsy weekend)



Fighters from the first tournament. Note the lack of helms! From west kingdom website: <http://history.westkingdom.org/>

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THE CHRONICLER'S QUILL

Greetings from Mistress Ealasaic nic Phearsoinn,

May 1 marks the 49th birthday of the Society for Creative Anachronism. The first tournament was held on May 1, 1966 in Berkeley CA. In place of my usual column I am putting an abbreviated version of the account as recorded on the West Kingdom website:

After all had been announced there was the long note of a horn, and David the Herald announced the blessings of the swords. At this the archbishop, Jon de Cles, rose and let the sonorous Latin roll forth, "Ecce Eduardus ursus scalis nunc tump-tump-tump occipite gradus pulsante, post Christophorum Robinum descendens ...", and the assembly chorused "Amen." The first combat was announced between Sir Siegfried von Hoflichkeit and Sir Kenneth, with mace, and then Sir Aeginius versus Nathan the Retarius (with net and trident). There was a pause as singers sang "Sumer is i-cumen in" and then two more combats followed by four dancers doing a pavanne. Then combat resumed. As the other fighters were all styled as knights, and as David the Herald was fighting well, Sir Siegfried von Hoflichkeit, with the consent of the rest of the fighters, called David forth to kneel and, in the manner of the medieval order of chivalry, dubbed him knight. This was the first knighting in the Society, giving David (now Ardral Argo verKaeysc) the title of First Knight. The strength of the shields that Siegfried and Fulk had made was proven when the father of one of the singers (Beverley Hodghead) left and returned with crossbow and long bow. An arrow from the longbow merely chipped paint off the shield, leaving the broad arrowhead curled up from the impact. The finalists were Sir Aeginius and Sir Deutsche Bursenschaft. Sir Aeginius was fighting with spear and shield. Sir Deutsche Bursenschaft was wearing a fencer's outfit with fencing mask and using a wooden lathe sword in the fencing manner. Sir Aeginius dealt a blow which broke the sword and mashed the hand holding it, causing Sir Deutsche to fight with one hand behind his back and a mace in the other. Sir Aeginius thrust with his spear and Sir Deutsche Bursenschaft dodged, they circled, Sir Deutsche caught Sir Aeginius between the neck and shoulder, thereby "killing" him and winning the first lists. He placed the crown on the head of his lady, a "simple peasant maid." Marynel of Darkhaven filmed the tourney with her movie camera. Subsequently Sir Deutsche Bursenschaft returned to Germany and was never heard from again. The participants so enjoyed themselves that they decided to do it again at Midsummer's Day. After the tourney twenty-four of the participants formed into another procession and processed all the way up Telegraph Avenue to the campus and back again, protesting the Twentieth Century. About a dozen people stayed, procured some food, built a fire, and sat around eating roast chicken and singing and dancing in the firelight. And thus the first revel occurred, with the revelers staying past midnight reliving the bright moments, singing, drinking wine, and enjoying the fire.

I find it quite amusing to hear how different the Known World was before there were any formalized "rules". The armor was not very protective, there was no authorization, etc.

YIS, Ealasaic



Fighter Practice Fall/winter Locations

6:30 pm Monday

UWSP HEC Room 110

Please watch email for
other practices

Web pages :

www.sca.org

www.northshield.org

www.falconskeep.org

www.uwsp.edu/stuorg/falcon/index.htm

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Minutes for the Moot held on Sunday, April 27th at the home of Mary and Alessandro.

There was a very light attendance at this moot due to some unfortunate circumstances and the change of location.

Alessandro requested that any officer who is not present please be sure to get a report to someone who will be attending. Whether it is an email or a note, any report would be welcome.

Poor Man's will be held August 8, 9, & 10.

The moot for May has changed dates. It will be held on May 18th. Please stay tuned for more information.

The June moot will be held during the Artsy Fartsy weekend to be held at Alex and Janvier's home.

Griffin Needle Challenge will be held on September 19 & 20 at Zion Lutheran Church in Stratford.

The chronicler (by proxy) has requested more content for the Mewsletter. Please send any information to her at ealasaidsaid27@gmail.com.

Ealasaidsaid will be attending Over the River and In the Woods Part "Tree" which will be hosted by the newly made Shire of Hvitskogar on Saturday, June 21. There is a cooking challenge and Ealasaidsaid will be challenging the winner of last year's competition.

Our Minister of Youth is now officially warranted. On a side note, she also received a Cygnus at Coronation and the scroll was presented to her at the moot. The story we were told that was given in court was that she entertained the children so well at Haire Affaire, that they went home and encouraged their parents to put her in for this award. It is very well deserved.

Alessandro had mentioned at the last moot that he would like ideas to improve attendance at moots, so please bring any ideas you may have to the next moot.

Poor Man's was discussed. Things are progressing. We are looking for an archery marshal. We will be having the chili feed on Friday and the Pot Luck on Saturday. This year we will also be hosting a bardic circle.

We discussed the Old Armory in Marshfield as a possible site for Haire Affaire next year, but there is more discussion needed. Katherine is also looking into the possibility of using one of the schools in Auburndale.

Respectfully submitted by

Lady Emelye Ambroys

EVENT CALENDAR



May 2014

Northshield Spring Crown Tournament Sat May 10, Barony of Jararvellir (Stoughton WI)

Quest for Camelot Thur-Sun May 15-18 Shire of Schattentor (Sturgis SD)

Armored Combat Collegium Sat May 17 (Jefferson WI)

ARRG Fri-Mon May 23-26 Barony of Jararvellir (Montello, WI)

Castle Fever Fri-Mon May 23-26 Shire of Silfren mere (Rochester MN)

Lamb to Loom Sat May 24 Shire of Turm an dem See (Random Lake WI)

Mermaids XXI Fri-Sun May 30-Jun1 Shire of Turm an dem See (Valders, WI)

June 2014

Pas d'Armes Thur-Sun Jun 5-8 Canton of Blachmere (East Bethel MBN)

Border Skirmish Fri-Sun Jun 13-15 Barony of Caer Anterth Mawr (Elkhorn WI)

Midsommar Fri-Sun June 13-15 Shire of Orlova Dolina (Park Rapids, MN)

Moorish Tavern Thur-Sun Jun19-22 Shire of Midewinde (Bottineau ND)

Over the River & In the Woods Hvitskrogar Sat Jun 21 (Ironwood, MI)

Hadrian's Field Fri-Sun Jun 27-29 Shire of Border Downs (Adrian MN)

THATSA Mare Fri-Sun Jun 27-29 Shire of Mare Amethystinium (Kakabeka OPNT)

Western Regional Archery Clinic & Tournament Sat-Sun Jun 28-29 Shire of Korsvag (West Fargo ND)

July 2014

Warriors and Warlords Thu-Sun July 10-13 Barony of Jararvellir

Pirates, Knaves & Idiots Thu-Sun Jun 10-13 Shire of Noiregard (Piedmont SD)

Rabid Yale Fri-Sun July25-27 shire of Coldedernhale (Pierre SD)

Pennsic War 43 Fri July 25-Sat Aug 10 Barony of the Debateable Lands (Slippery Rock PA)

August 2014

Crispin's Archery Thingy Fri-Sun Aug 22-24 Barony of Nordskogen (East Bethel MN)

Known World Bardic Congress & Cook's Collegium Aug 29-Sept1 Barony of Jararvellir (Wisc Dells WI)

BYOM Sat-Sun Aug 29-31 Shire of Vilku Urvas (Deer River MN)

Battle of Clontarf 1000 Anniversary Fri-Mon Aug 29-Sep1 Barony of Castel Rouge (Giml MB)

September 2014

Northshield Fall Coronation Sat Sept 13

Bardic Blades Fri-Sun Sept19-21 Shire of Dreibruken (Medora ND)

Hrothgar's Hall Fri-Sun Sept 19-21 Shire of Trewint (Cavour SD)

Honor over Glory Sat Sept 27 Shire of Skejrastrond (Iron Moutnain MI)

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