The Nottinghill Quill



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Greetings to Our Wonderful Barony!

As we head into the spring, we look forward to a busy few months of events. Her Excellency has just returned from Kingdom Arts and Sciences. It was an inspiring event as always, and she had the great joy of watching our Baronial AUS Champion (Fergus Uilleam Kinloch) represent us in the Inter-Baronial AUS Champions Tourney.

At KASF their new Excellencies Tir-y-Don shared an important reminder in court: "Anyone can recommend Anyone Else for ANY award." We would like to encourage

our populace not only to make writing in award recommendations part of their regular SCA activities, but more experienced members to help teach our newer or less experienced members how to navigate the award system, so they too can recommend people. If you're unsure of how to send in an award, or even what award to recommend for

someone's worthy endeavors, please reach out. Your local officers, Baronial officers, or the two of us would be delighted to assist you.

And lastly, since it is indeed spring, a few reminders. First, this is the beginning of pollen season. Evil Trees are blooming. Nature is indeed trying to kill many of us. If this is you, please remember to take the meds that let you breathe. Second, the days are now both longer and brighter. The Sun is still a burning ball of death in the sky. Please remember your sunblock, hat, parasol or whatever other protection you prefer.

As always: have fun, make stuff, do stuff, and We look forward to seeing you at a future event. We remain In Service,



Likerion Ceara Posadnik Posadnitsa

Photo by Mistress Machteld Cleine (Eva Bogaerts)

Baronial Progress

March 23 - World Turned Upside Down -Attack of the Killer Rabbits





March 29 to 31 - Hidden Mountain Baronial Birthday

April 7 to 9 - Spring Coronation: The Master of Games





May 3 to 5 - Spring Crown Tournament

May 10 to 12 - Hawkwood Baronial Birthday XX: The Great Unicorn Hunt





May 18 - Dragon's Fire III







Greetings to Nottinghill Coill!

...And welcome to warmer, sunnier weather. As I write I am listening to a songbird outside my back door hiding in the branches of my butterfly bush. It makes me itch to get back out in nature and enjoy some tent time. I just sent out a notice on the barony's Facebook page to let everyone know that we have a new Minister of the Arts & Sciences, Marius Agorius Donatus Minius Germanicus has been selected by our Baron & Baroness to step up and take charge of this wonderful part of our culture. Marius also uses Maximus as a shorter name in his Roman persona.

Our Posadnik and Posadnista are now looking to fill three more positions that are vacant.

Minister of the Lists:

We have been looking for a Minister of the Lists for the barony for quite some time. A Minister of the List (NoL) helps organize, complete and maintain the paperwork needed to track fighters' authorizations and run combat scenarios at events. They are the people sitting at the table on the side of the list field signing in combatants, checking authorization cards, recording authorizations, and filling out all those lovely forms necessary to keep fighting in Atlantia running smoothly. You must complete training classes and at least two "underinstruction" sessions with a warranted MoL before you can be warranted yourself. Please send a Letter of Intent to our Baron, Baroness, and Seneschal through our Kingdom's email system, "title" @nottinghillcoill.atlantia.sca.org, thank you. Deadline: Saturday, Narch 30, 2024.

Deputy Signet:

We also are searching for a Deputy Signet. The Baronial Signet is the person who handles the organization of scroll assignments and delivery prior to and after an event. As the Deputy, you will work closely with Mistress Brig Ingen Erennaigh (Missy Looper) to ensure that our populace is recognized for their hard work, and it is done in a timely manner. If interested please submit a Letter of Intent to the Baron, Baroness, and Signet at "title" @notthinghillcoill.atlantia.sca.org, thank you. Deadline: Saturday, March 30, 2024.

<u>Baronial Social Media Deputy:</u>

There are some who might say this position is empty, but I, as SMD feel like someone might be interested in an opportunity to serve the barony in a unique way. Trust me, I know what I'm talking about here. The Barony maintains a Facebook page and a Discord channel, I did find an Instagram page that was last posted about five years ago. The SMD simply approves requests to join and keeps out the riff-raff (extended car warranties, e.g.) and ensures polite conversation. If interested please send a Letter of Intent to the Baron, Baroness, and Seneschal at "title" @notthinghillcoill.atlantia.sca.org, thank you. Deadline: Saturday, March 30, 2024.

Upcoming Events

World Turned Upside Down: Attach of the Killer Rabbits

The next event taking place in Notthinghill Coill will be hosted by Falconcree on Saturday, March 23 rd in Duncan, SC. Please consider attending this great event and finding a spot to volunteer. The baronial Facebook page has a post for volunteer information. To sign up follow this <u>link</u>.

Hidden Mountain Baronial Birthday

Hidden Mountain will celebrate their birthday soon on March 29 th in Bennettsville, SC. For more information: visit this <u>link</u>.

Spring Coronation

Spring Coronation will be held at Eichlenburg Castle this year! April 5 th in Boonville, NC. If you are not sure, it is the same location we attend War of the Wings.

For more information: visit this link.

Baronial and Canton Officers:

It can be difficult to step up and assume responsibility for an office in either the Barony or your Canton. I keep waiting to stumble and fall because I certainly do not understand all the subtleties of Seneschal for a barony. I still have to ask about terminology in our Society. I have to remember that every position has a handbook, but if I still need clarification, someone else has done this particular job. I can tell you for certain that those who have been Baronial Seneschal before me are very forgiving when I ask a question. There is a legacy for all the offices and for each office because you are taking over for someone that wants to see you succeed in your willingness to volunteer and help our passion for SCA grow. In May of 2018, I was invited to Feast of the Dragon by a coworker, Lady Dearbhail O'Haloran (mka Darla Parido). Now I own a lot of camping equipment, had a few job titles, and I know a lot of people I would never have met before SCA. If you are out there, considering any of the office vacancies for your Canton or for your Barony, apply. If you are not chosen on this round, it lets others know you are interested so they can focus on bringing you along. Every office can have a Deputy alongside to assist so that you can get some on-the-job training. I am very grateful to Posadnik Likerion and Posadnista Ceara for their willingness in offering advice. To Dame Morwenna for letting me ask all sorts of questions (although she apparently is up at 5am ??). And to Lady Vani our Baronial Exchequer for walking me through the finances. If you are on the fence about helping out, ask someone, your time to volunteer is the largest part of what makes SCA successful.

A great philosopher once said: "Who cried when 'Old Yeller' got shot at the end! Nobody cried when Old Yeller got shot? I'm sure."

Yours in Service, Lord Roderick Mund

Chronicler's Note: I for one would like to thank Lord Roderick for all the hard work he has done to step into the Seneschal position. It's one of the "scarier" positions in the Society and is a requirement. Tell him thanks the next time you see him. Shake his hand. Let him know how appreciative we are.

Vivat, Hooray, and Congratulations!



Lady Antoinette la Rouge de Avignon received The Award of the Golden Knot at the Competitions and Display Workshop held in Spartanburg.

That Event was AMAZING!

by Bannthegn Gwenfrewi of Abergavenny

On February 17, the Barony held its quarterly AGS Workshop. This quarter's topic was Competitions and Displays. Now, I've been part of the Society for almost 30 years. In all that time, I've never entered an AGS competition. I always said there were not enough cookies in the jar to get me to enter one. Well, as I have aged, much like a fine wine I have matured. The fear of entering my arts in competition has changed into an excitement for being able to receive feedback from truly talented people.

There were five classes offered:

- How to Showcase Your AUS Entry (Sensei Mizuno Sakami)
- Documentation for Performing Arts (Baroness Machteld Cleine)
- Displaying and Competing with Perishables (Haelfdige Annora Hall)
- Documentation: One Size Does NOT Fit All (Master Hagar the Black)
- How to Display Efficiently for Your Display and Research (Mistress Adair of Makyswell)

There was also a Judgement and Rubric Round Table Discussion led by Her Excellency Ceara.

Time being fleeting, I was unable to attend all classes but let me tell you I learned so much from

those I was able to make, my heart was full. I little late to my first class: How to Showcase A&S Entry with Sensei Mizuno (my apologies). offered fantastic insight on taking an OK display upping your game by making some simple



was a Your The class and changes.

Next, I attended by Mistress Adair I now have a Sciences entries entries of others.



How to Display Efficiently for Your Display and Research of Maksywell. I left this class with so much new knowledge. deeper understanding of not only how to display my Arts & more thoughtfully but how to approach and appreciate the

My third class was Displaying and Competing with Perishables with Haelfdige Annora Hall. I am a cook and I hope to be able to display and compete with many different dishes in the future. Haelfdige Annora had fantastic ideas for how to safely share a dish such as cheese. She taught how to take a display of homemade cheese from good to exceptional. Again it was a series of small updates that accomplishes this task. I applied it right away when I had the opportunity to display a series of dishes for a Protege ceremony the next weekend. Thank you so much for your knowledge and inspiration.



All Photos by Bennthegn Gwenfrewi of Abergavenny

It was a wonderful day of learning and comradery. I hope you have the opportunity to attend an Arts & Sciences class soon. Atlantia is lucky to have many skilled teachers who educate on a variety of topics. Check out the Kingdom of Atlantia <u>Calendar of Events</u> for opportunities.

Upcoming Events in the Kingdom

March 2024

3/9 - 3-17	Gulf Wars	Gleann Abhann Q K Pr P
3/23	Wrold Turned Upside Down - Attach of the Killer Rabbits	Welford SC (Falconcree)
3/23	Defending the Gate and Barony of Stierbach Investiture	Spotsylvania PA (Sudentorre) Q K Pr P
3/29 - 3/31	Missile Madness	Monroe VA (Seven Hills) K
3/29 - 3/31	Hidden Nountain Baronial Birthday	Bennettsville SC (Hidden Mountain)
3/30	Barony of P:onte Alto Investiture	Vienna VA (Ponte Alto) Q
April 20)24	
4/5 - 4/7	Spring Coronation - The Master of Game	Nanjemoy MD (Atlantia) Q K PR P
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4/5 - 4/7 Storvik Novice Tournament

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4/13 - 4/14 Eastern NC Ren Faire Demo

4/13 - 4/14 Festival of Elvegast

4/20 Night on the Town

4/26 - 4/28 Revenge of the Stitch IX

Anyemoy MD (Allantia) Q R FR F

Wanjemoy MD (Allantia) Q R FR F

Kinston NC (Raven's Cove)

Hillsborough NC (Elvegast) Q R

Severn ND (Lockmere)

Chestertown ND (Spiaggia Levantina)

May 2024

5/3 - 5/5	Spring Crown Tournament	Bennettsville, SC (Hidden Mountain) Q K
5/10 - 5/12	Hawkwood Baronial Birthday XX: The	Old Fort, NC (Hawkwood) Q K
	Great Unicorn Hunt!	
5/11	On Target	Annapolis MD (Lochmere)
5/18	Dragon's Fire III	Easley SC (Saint Georges)
5/18	Skewered IV: There and Back Again	Gaithersburg MD (Roxbury Mill)
5/24	Ruby Joust XII	Ashland VA (Cear Mear) Q K

For details on events, please visit the Kingdom Calendar.

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Diary of a Crazy Chronicler

Change 2.0

I really can't believe it - I have been the Chronicler for the Barony for almost 2 years. While sometimes being Chronicler can be challenging, quite often it is one of the most rewarding volunteer positions within the SCA. I have truly loved being your Chronicler, but it is time for me to move on to something else.

Historically, a chronicler is a person who writes accounts of important or historical events. In the SCA, a chronicler often acts as a central point of contact for disseminating information within a SCA group. They distribute newsletters, event announcements, and other communications through the monthly newsletter. This keeps members informed about what is going on for the Kingdom, Barony, etc.

Before putting in a Letter of Intent (LOI) for the Barony of Nottinghill Coill Chronicler position, there are a few questions to ask yourself:

- 1. Do you have the required time to be able to put together the newsletter to meet deadlines? This can sometimes be challenging. I work on the Quill throughout the month about 2 hours per week.
- 2. Do you have the skill set needed? The most important skills for a Chronicler is to be organized, have good time management, and be persuasive. A lot of the content for the Quill comes from other people. You are not required to right an article yourself each month. I do it because I consider it fun. Persuading others to submit articles is a worthy goal.
- 3. Do you have the requisite computer, software, and internet access needed to put together the newsletter? I create the Quill using a basic laptop. I use a free version of Canva to design and publish the newsletter. It's really easy to learn and I'm happy to help anyone who may be interested.

If you are interested in applying for the position, please submit a letter to Their Excellencies and the Baronial Seneschal.

