

ARDANRUNES

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Calendar of Events

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ARDANROE OFFICERS

Seneschal: The Honorable Lady Dana the Quarrier
Knight Marshal: Lord Johannes von Greiffenburg
Herald: Maistir Rory ua Riada
Exchequer: Baroness Medb ingen ui Mael Anfaid
Minister of Arts & Sciences: Lady Melisant of Exmoor
Chronicler: Barun Rory ua Riada
Chirurgeon: VACANT

Minister of Children: VACANT
Web Minister: Lorccán na Túaithe
Provost of RUGA: Lady Amata Quentin Motzhart
Quartermaster: Mistress Sarah MacGregor
Chatelaine: Lord Michael atte Harp
Historian: Ebrahim-al-Jabal
Constable: The Honorable Lord Olaf Lutherson

HARKEN YE!

Below is a tentative schedule of Shire activities for the month of October:

October 8 – Populace Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Aulds Library (Wednesday)
October 11 – Fighter Practice – McWhorter Park (1100 Toler Road), Longview, TEXAS – 9:00 a.m. till exhausted.
Bring your armor and weapons, authorization and membership card, sun shade, cooler, and something for potluck. Contact Michael atte Harp for further information. **Directions** (via Google Maps) – Get onto I-20 W and drive to Longview (57 miles). Take Exit 599 for FM-968/TX-281-LOOP. Turn Right at FM-968 W/E TX-281-LOOP S W. Continue to follow E TX-281-LOOP S W (11.5 miles). Turn Right at Toler Road. (Saturday)
October 15 – Open Gathering Night – 7:00 p.m. – Aulds Library (Wednesday)
October 22 – A&S Workshop – 7:00 p.m. – Aulds Library (Wednesday)
October 25 – Fighter Practice – TBA (Saturday)

NOTE: Please see the Shire website and Ardanroe Yahooogroup for updates.



ON THIS DAY

October 4, 1539

1539 October 4 – King Henry VIII and Anna of Kleef marry.



CALL FOR TEACHERS AT GULF WARS XVIII

Good Gentles:

Share your passion and knowledge about a subject with others. We are taking sign up for anyone to volunteer to teach at this next Gulf Wars.

Areas to teach in are:

Middle Eastern
Early Period Life
Equestrian
Kennel Lands (Hounds, coursing, and outdoor interests)
Falconry
Artisans Row (Hands On)
Collegium
Scribal
Heraldic

If you would like to sign up, download the form here to fill out (http://www.gulfwars.org/index.php?option=com_docman&task=cat_view&gid=17&Itemid=120) and email it to me at nicole_de_brittany_at_yahoo.com.

The form asks for information needed to give you the best time to teach that will meet your needs and availability. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to email me at the above address.

Nicole De Brittany
Gulf Wars Collegium





TOWN FAIRE

The Shire of Ardanroe's A&S night was held on Wednesday September 24th at Aulds Branch Library from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. for continuing work on the new wall tapestry. Three members attended (Melisant, Rory, and Avice). Rory painted the tile floor while Melisant painted the two dogs, and Avice worked on an Italian Ren dress for Ceridwen the Empiric for her elevation to the Order of the Laurel at Coronation. Melisant and Avice also provided an inventory of livestock for Ardanroe's boasting rights.



SCRIPTORIUM SENDING

Their Royal Majesties need award scrolls. Below is the text to one of the many awards in the new Kingdom.

Count/Countess

Harken all good gentles of the Known World. We, _____ and _____ Sovereign and Consort of the Kingdom of Gleann Abhann, wish to honor One who has reigned and served Gleann Abhann as King.

OR

As Beauty, Grace, Charm, and Good Demeanor are all qualities worthy of praise and honor, We, __ and ____, Sovereign and Consort of Gleann Abhann, wish to reward One who has reigned and served Gleann Abhann as Queen, and who has displayed these Qualities.

Thus, hereby, and herewith do we elevate Our subject _____ to the Rank and Estate of [Count/Earl/Countess]. Bearing with this rank all duties, responsibilities, honors, and privileges appendant thereto. Done by Our Hands this day, the _____ day of _____ Anno Societatis ____, being _____ Gregorian.

_____ Sovereign _____ Consort



ARDANROE LIVESTOCK TRIVIA

Counting livestock on only Lady Avice and Lady Melisant's homesteads, the Shire has 15 sheep, 8 horses, 48 chickens, 2 turkeys, 8 pigeons, 2 cats, 4 dogs, 1 Gaffin's cockatoo, and 1 fish. Yes, Ardanroe now has more sheep per capita than any other group in the Kingdom - we are the New Zealand of Gleann Abhann! – Avice of York, September 22 A.S. XLIII (2008)



THE ARDANROE HERBARIUM
(THL Rovena of Bri Leith, Column Editor)

DANDELION

Dandelion is the common name for a large number of plants belonging to the genus *Taraxacum*. How many, you ask; that depends on which botanist you ask. The bottom number is 60 species and the top range is unknown. Great Britain and Ireland have 235 known species and subspecies. Weed or useful herb, you ask; it depends on whom you ask. Remember, an unwanted orchid in a rose garden is a weed. Dandelions are native to Europe and Asia but have thrived most everywhere they have managed to travel to except in the Southern Hemisphere. Dandelions evolved about thirty million years ago in Eurasia and they have been used by humans for food and herbalism for most of written history.

Seeds are usually produced asexually causing each plant to be a clone of its parent. It has a taproot that grows up to 10" long making them so difficult to eradicate. The flower forms directly above the taproot on a hollow stalk that will exude a milky sap when broken. The leaves are large and sharply toothed which may be where it gets its French name (*dent de lion*). The flower head can change into the familiar, white, seed head overnight. Each seed has a tiny parachute, spreading it great distances.

Side Effects and Cautions

Dandelion use is generally considered safe but there have been a few reports of upset stomach and diarrhea. Some people are allergic to the plant. People with an inflamed or infected gallbladder, or blocked bile ducts, should avoid using dandelion.

Dandelions are grown commercially on a small scale as a leaf vegetable. Dandelion greens (the leaves) are eaten cooked or raw in various forms, such as in soup or salad. The young leaves/or unopened buds are eaten raw in salads; older leaves are cooked. Dandelion flowers can be used to make dandelion wine and in a saison ale called Pissenlit (literally "*wet the bed*" in French). The flower is used to make a jam. The root is roasted and ground for a coffee substitute.

In Canada, dandelion root is a registered drug, sold principally as a diuretic. Dandelion is used in many patent medicines. It is a general stimulant to the system, but especially to the urinary organs, so it is chiefly used in kidney and liver disorders. Being nonpoisonous, quite large doses of its preparations may be taken. It works best when combined with other agents. A leaf decoction can be drunk to "purify the blood", for the treatment of anemia, jaundice, and for nervousness. "Dandelion and Burdock" is a soft drink that has long been popular in the United Kingdom sold by health food shops. It is said that its use for liver complaints was assigned to the plant largely on the **doctrine of signatures**, because of its bright yellow flowers of a bilious hue. The juice of the stalk is applied to remove warts.

The milky latex has been used as a mosquito repellent. Dandelions are used as food plants by the larvae of some species of Lepidoptera. Yellow or green dye colors can be obtained from the flowers but little color can be obtained from the roots of the plant. Dandelions are important plants for bees. Their flowering is an indicator that the honeybee season is starting. The flowers are also an important source of nectar and pollen early in the season.

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CARRIAGE CHATTER

Knights Academy, August 29-31, Shire of Dragouns Weal

This event held at the Woodman's of the World Camp in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, was attended by Lord Michael atte Harp, who represented the Shire well.

Compagnie of Gleann Abhann Herbalists, September 13, Barony of Small Gray Bear

(Written by Rovena of Bri Leith)

On Saturday, September 13, 2008, the Compagnie of Gleann Abhann Herbalists traveled to Baroness Brianna Baptista's home for a workshop and the first adjudication for the rank of craftsman. The candidate was Lady Morin inghen Ruairc. The judging panel consisted of Baroness Brianna Baptista, Baroness Genevotte Villeneuve, THL Julianna Bonnaire de Cherbourg, and THL Rovena of Bri Leith. Lady Morin had to demonstrate her knowledge of 15 herbs by oral dissertation, answering questions, and presenting a project (bread, suave, etc.) using each herb. Lady Morin is the first in what is hoped to be a long line of craftsmen in the Compagnie of Gleann Abhann Herbalists.

Kingdom Arts & Sciences/RUGA, September 19-21, Shire of Rooks Haven

(Written by Maistir Rory ua Riada)

This was an incredibly fun weekend filled with classes, art, food, and a tournament. Seventeen people (sixteen lords and one lady) competed to be proclaimed the Pelican's Champion for the Tournament of Champions. These were Eduin le Younghe, Cothair O'Duhin, Lady Aishe, Sir Brian MacBrand, Jon the Tall, Sir Caillin MacLeod, Master Stephan of Durham, Olaf Erickson, Caedmon of Jorvik, Magnus hoggvandi, Sir Michael of the Mace, Sir Ashikaga Hiromoto, Sir Wernherus Rudemann, Sir Drogo of Axbridge, Christoph D'Wynter Wolf, Sir Padruig Dubhclogad, and Motan the Mongol. James the Holy and Michael atte Harp were the bye fighters. Sir Michael of the Mace won the tourney with THL Jon the Tall coming in second. Both were invited to the Tournament of Champions.

Seven of the thirteen Knights at the event competed in the tournament. One was in the Late Period Fashion Show held before court. The Knights were: Brian MacBrand, Loric Silvestris, Angus Mac Owen, Padruig Dubhclogad, Rashid ibn Hilal, William FitzHugh de Cambria, Michael of the Mace, Caillin Mac Leoid, Robert Gethin Albret, Wernherus Rudemann, Ulric Blackoak, Drogo of Axbridge, Ashikaga Hiromoto

The Companions of the Pelican worked the tournament they sponsored with Mistress Linnet MacLeod as list minister, Mistress Crystyna Hyrundo as aide to the list minister, Mistress Sarah MacGregor and Maistir Rory ua Riada as field heralds, and Master Loric Silvestris as marshal. Baroness Isabella D'Arques assisted as the runner. Master Stephan was the only Pelican to compete in the tournament. Sir Brian was the only Laurel to compete in the tournament. Food and drink were provided by the members of the Pelican ranging from ice water, apple juice, and orange punch to fruit, cheese, sausages, cookies, brownies, and cake. Some items were provided by protégés to the Pelicans. Master Loric also provided a box of cast pretties to be used as favors to give to the tourney entrants. During the tournament King William opened court to induct James the Holy into the Order of the Aries and Olaf Erickson into the Order of the Combatant Ram.

While not all of the Companions of the Pelican were able to stay and watch the tournament (some were judging all day and some were helping provide meals like the Judges' lunch), the nineteen Pelicans attending the event were: Erik of Telemark, Brenna Lowri o Ruthin, Daphne of Colchester, Brigid Olesdottir of Loch Ree, Diana of the Isles, Linnet MacLeod, Loric Silvestris, Gabrielle von Strassburg, Meaghan Arsmith of Ludlow, Stephan of

Durham, Crystyna Hyrundo, Eilidh nin Choinnich, Jane Beaumont, Morgan of Osprey, Rory ua Riada, Robert von Flusswasser, Sarah MacGregor, Alysia Gabrielle de Fougères, and Lailiane Asenina.

The Shire of Ardanroe was well represented in all activities. While Lady Amata cancelled due to sudden illness and THL Olaf Lutherson sent Faire entries via Lady Avice, at least eight Shire members were present – Maistir Rory, Mistress Sarah, THLs Rovena and Medb, THLs Conor and James, Lord Michael, and Lady Avice. Conor spent much of the day at the outdoor cooking class area. Rory worked the tourney in the morning and as a faire judge in the afternoon. Avice had several entries in the faire and worked as support staff for Mistress Jennet, Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences. Medb was a cheering fan during the tournament, but also a roving photographer for the tourney and faire and other activities of the day. Michael not only served as a bye fighter but taught a class to the children and had entries in the Faire. Sarah and James both had entries in the Faire and were the first models in the Late Period Fashion Show held before court.

The Faire had 35 entrants and 62 entries. From these a Champion of the Arts and Sciences would be discovered. There were also six challenges – best my score, use Burgundian, weave, embroider, novice costuming, and squire entry. Queen Onora also held the Queen’s Choice. Baroness’ Etheldred (Judge Dred-da) and Rosalind had the “Best My Score” Challenge in any three categories. Baroness Lorelai von Orlamunde known as Osprey won Dredda’s challenge. No one bested Rosalind’s score but Avice had the next highest. THL Gwyneth Caerr issued the “use of Burgundian” Challenge. There were two entries that did so and both received prizes – Lady Martha of Effington and Lady Marcel Orillon. THL Margot Dubois issued the ‘weaving’ challenge and Eduin le Younghe won her prize. Countess Kenna nic Ahern von Ziemer issued the ‘embroidery’ challenge and Arianna Steffani d’Oveste of Lagerdamm received the prize. THL Charles de Bourbon sponsored the “novice costuming” challenge. Sara Therese won with a Middle Eastern Costume Revue piece. Lord Eduin le Younghe challenged all squires to enter the Faire. The squire obtaining the highest scores was Olaf Lutherson. His knight, Sir Robert accepted the long stick of rattan for him. HRM Onora held the Queen’s Choice and awarded her prize to Baroness Lorelai. The Champion of the Arts and Sciences was Baroness Rosalind bint Mihrimah.

The fourteen Laurels present then snuck up behind Rosalind as she was being presented with a personal scroll as A&S Champion, she having also received the Champion’s scroll that would list all A&S Champions since Gleann Abhann became a Kingdom. The Laurels present were Arielle de Brabazon, Erik of Telemark, Serita Vashti al Coya, Brighid Olesdottir of Loch Ree, Alysia Gabrielle de Fougères, Brian MacBrand, Finn Normansson, Deborah (Dametta) of Arundel, Julian ferch Rhys, Jennet of Tewkesbury, Anyeta the Wanderer, Rebecca with the Greyhound, Isabel the Mad, and visiting from Meridies, Alianor le Cuisinaire. Mistress Brigit as Secretary spoke and a very stunned Rosalind was informed by the Crown to pick an event and inform the Crown for vigil and elevation to the Order of the Laurel.

During court several offices changed. Lord Gawin der Fuchs became the new Kingdom Webminister as Lady Marisa Symmes of Berewyk ended her two year term. Lady Eithne Ruad became the new Chancellor of RUGA as Baroness Brianna Baptista ended her two year term. Later during feast Lady Juliana Bonnaire de Cherbourg turned over the office of Kingdom Minister of Children to Lady Rebecka MacGillivray and Viscountess Kenna nic Ahern von Ziemer turned over the office of Dean of the Page School (GAPS) to Lord Angus de Gordun.

Three new incipient groups were officially recognized in court. These were the Incipient Canton of South Tower (Hot Springs, Arkansas) sponsored by the Barony of Small Gray Bear, the Incipient College of the Blue Flats (Mississippi Delta) sponsored by the Shire of Iron Ox, and the Incipient Shire of Guardian Forest (Beebe, Arkansas) sponsored by the Barony of Small Gray Bear.

Court closed with the presentation of a Collar of Estate made by Syr Loric and Lord Thomas the Smythe for the Greater Office of Kingdom Seneschal and the announcement that each Greater Office would receive one in the future.

At the conclusion of feast, the Laurels again snuck up, this time behind the feastract, Lady Ceridwen the Empiric. Mistress Dametta spoke and a very surprised Ceridwen was informed by the Crown to pick an event and inform the Crown for vigil and elevation to the Order of the Laurel.

Harvest Home, September 26-28, Shire of Northover

This event, “Vikings Invade Harvest Home”, was canceled due to closure of Fontainebleau State Park as a result of Hurricanes Gustav and Ike.



FORTNIGHT

The Shire Populace Meeting was held on Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at the Aulds Branch Library in Bossier City. The meeting started at 7:00 and ended at 8:20 p.m. Dana, as Seneschal, ran the meeting. Fifteen adults (Dana, Rebecca, Sarah, Katharine, James, Amata, Conor, Roven, Ebrahim, Melisant, Rory, Avice, Medb, Erde, and Heylen) and one child (Ian) attended the meeting.

Rebecca and Sarah reported on Winter Wonders. They will hold an Event Staff Meeting closer to the date of the event. Olaf has done in calligraphy an invitation to the event to give to the Heirs (Prince Havordh and Princess Mary Grace). The event flyer has been sent to *The Ambassador* for the months of November, December, and January. It will be a full-page ad. The basic information is currently on the Shire's website but the other web pages for the event are in the works. There will be serious classes and 'MacGyver' classes. The first 2009 Tournament of Champions Qualifying Tourney will be held at this event. The format needs to be worked out to be able to keep the Crest tourney and bridesmaid tourney. A Regional A&S and a Persona Triathlon will be held. More once Erde's menu arrives.

Amata the Provost will be attending Kingdom A&S/RUGA, working the RUGA table there, traveling with Rory.

Ebrahim the Historian has submitted his 1st Quarter Report to the Kingdom Historian. Please send him information on what you are doing in the SCA.

Melisant the A&S Minister reported a successful class by Olaf on basic calligraphy last month. This month the project will be continuing the painting of the wall hanging. Due to lack of participation the Fiber Night is discontinued at this time.

Rory as Chronicler reported the September issue of the *Ardanrunes* is now online and thanked everyone who wrote up summaries of their event travels for the Carriage Chatter column and articles in the issue. The Order of Precedence of Current Members in the Shire is also published as part of the issue along with the Free Event flyer and Renaissance Magazine offer from the SCA Media Officer.

Rory as Herald reported receiving the April LoAR and that Katharine's name was registered but her device was returned. Most members' submissions are in the May and July LoAR yet to come out. The Kingdom Herald Symposium will be held as part of Samhain by the Barony of Grey Niche in October.

Dana when over the Calendar of Events for the months of September, October, and November. A joint Fighter Practice with the Shire of Rosenfeld will be held on Saturday, October 11th in Rosenfeld (Tyler, Texas).

Under Old Business Sarah reported creating a draft of the Event Manual for the Shire with input from several members. However, more input from Shire members is needed. Two copies were distributed and it will be put in the Files section of the Ardanroe yahoo group list.

James reported on the Free Event. Today is the first day to accept reservations. Most attending tonight's meeting reserved at this time. ANY board games (not just period ones) are desired for fun during the weekend. There will be a Chess tournament. He will see if Olaf would be able to run it. He still needs input from Johannes regarding the Friday Night Torchlight Tournament. An invitation to the Heirs is also desired (Rory is to do this one). Projects are to be brought to work on and get feedback and assistance. Dana is doing the food. There will be NO turkey. There will be NO children's activities.

As New Business, Dana would like to open a discussion on perhaps combining the Populace Meeting with a Fighter Practice or moving it to another day or earlier time for those with conflicts on Wednesday. No decision will be made anytime soon.

Erde was now present with the menu for Winter Wonders. The menu is Scottish theme and delicious. All approved his menu after discussion on haggis. Dana and Medb agreed to do lunch (sandwiches like done last time that could be taken to the field). Avice and Rory will do Friday night's Travelers Fare and Saturday's breakfast. Tentative menus for these are French toast, scrambled eggs, and sausage for breakfast and a chili (possibly lamb) and vegetable stew for Travelers Fare.

Melisant had a dozen fresh eggs for sale from her chickens.

The meeting was adjourned.

Michael atte Harp arrived after the meeting to arrange dinner for those wanting to go eat late.



LESSONS IN HERALDRY

During September, Mistress Sarah placed the rough draft of the *Ardanroe Event Manual* in the Files section of the Ardanroe yahoo group list. The last page of the draft is for the Herald. As such, this is a good time to go over the duties of the Site Herald.

The site herald's obligations will likely include morning wake up calls and occasional site announcements. The announcements to be made in the morning should be run by the feastcrat and autocrat- if breakfast is running late or the populace should bring their own coffee cups, make sure they know before they trudge to the hall! Also, that's a great time to get last minute schedule changes announced, though care should be given not to throw too much information at sleepyheads.

Routine site announcements will be made at the request of the autocrat. It's nice to have schedule updates announced at least two or three times during the day, but sometimes more will be required due to cancellations or other changes. If a court is to take place at the event, it is always a kind idea to give the populace a 1 hour warning so they can prepare themselves, especially if the court time has changed from the published schedule.

The site herald may also be arranging field heraldry in conjunction with the Knight's Marshall. If that is the case, make sure you have enough heralds to handle the on field and off field duties, and check with the KM to make sure that index cards, list mistress supplies, and a pavilion and chairs are provided.¹

We can actually break the Site Herald's duties down into several categories. We should note that the Site Herald does not have to conduct all of these items, but is responsible to see that someone is. These duty categories are:

- Site Announcements
- Tournaments
- Court

Site Announcements tend to fall into two areas – the Morning Wake-up and Rest of the Day Announcements.

The Morning Wake-up is usually done by someone who likes to get up early in the morning or someone who plans to go to bed after doing this. This announcement is a quiet announcement, made in your regular speaking voice, or softer. When there are cabins, the herald will knock lightly on the door, open it, and speaking in a normal voice state, "Good morning. It is [time] o'clock." The herald will proceed to state information regarding breakfast ("Breakfast will be served in the hall from seven o'clock to eight-thirty. Please bring your mug. Plates and utensils will be provided."). The herald will also state the first activities of the day. ("At nine o'clock armor inspection will be held on the field. Children's activities will be in the orchard. Hand-sewing by Bobbette will be in classroom number one and Trousers by Jean will be in classroom number two.") The herald will then exit the cabin and quietly close the door, taking note whether anyone in the cabin acknowledge the wake-up via grunts or a softly spoken "thank you." Where there are tents, the herald should stand outside near the tent's entrance and speak the message in a normal voice, again listening for acknowledgement of the message from the inhabitants. At no time should the herald yell, shout, or cry the message. The Morning Wake-up is a gentle announcement that the activities of the day are starting. The Morning Wake-up occurs on both Saturday and Sunday. On Sunday, the announcement should include breaking of fast in the hall, when the site closes, the availability of trash bags, and location of 'lost and found' (usually a table in or near the hall).

The Rest of the Day Announcements can be made by anyone. It is nice to sometimes split these up so one person is doing the “Before Noon” announcements and another person is doing the “Afternoon” announcements. These announcements are usually dealing with the schedule of activities. The Autocrat and Feastcrat will be the main people to check with regarding announcements. The Feastcrat will usually wish lunch to be announced. (“Lunch is now available in the hall. It is (menu). Please bring a cup, bowl, and spoon.”) The Autocrat may wish for hourly announcements for the new activities starting that hour (“It is [time] o’clock. Haberdashery by Dashell Habe is starting in classroom one. Entries for the A&S competition are to be brought to Lady Scientia in the hall.”). If schedules are posted or each attendee received a schedule, the Autocrat may wish that only changes to the schedule be announced. (“It is [time] o’clock. The class “Period Fishing” by Captain Jack has been cancelled. Due to the sudden snowstorm the heavy weapons tourney will be held in the lodge. Lady Drift asks that all parents allowing their children to make snow-Vikings to please see her by two o’clock in the children’s area.”) As you can see, some announcements may come from activity coordinators (such as the Minister of Children or the Knight Marshall). Some announcements may even come from the Crown or Visiting Royalty. (“Court has been delayed for one half hour.”) (“All those wishing to enter Queen Brunhilda’s Opera Champion competition are to see Her Majesty in the amphitheatre at two o’clock.”) When making the Rest of the Day Announcements, the herald should call attention to the announcement, usually crying “O-yea, O-yea.” The herald should speak clearly and loudly so that all in the general vicinity hear the announcement. Depending on the site, the herald may have to cry the announcement at numerous locations – at the field, in the hall, near the cabins/tents, etc. The site herald should decide the best locations for announcements to be made, so that each person volunteering to make announcements will do so at the same locations. This way there is consistency.

There are many, many types of tournaments. The roles of heralds in tournaments will be a future column. For now, know that the site herald needs to work with the Marshall of the tournament to ensure that any heralds needed for the tournament are in place. These can range from a list minister, runner, and field herald, to individual heralds for each competitor. Ideally this is set up in advance of the event; however, a volunteer sheet can be set out Friday night and/or a call (announcement) for heralds made Saturday.

If the Crown or Visiting Royalty is attending the event, the site herald should know from the Autocrat whether there are any tentative plans for Court. The site herald should check with the Chancellor or Royal Liaison to see if a herald is needed. The Crown may have a herald picked to do Court, or may wish to invite the local herald (or any other herald present) to participate with Court so as to learn this aspect of heraldry. The site herald may also wish to check with the Autocrat and the Court Herald to be sure a “Court Business” sign-up sheet has been put out for the populace, or if a sign-in sheet is not being used, whom those wishing to conduct business in the Court need to see. A future column will go into more detail on court heraldry itself.

This has been a short presentation on the duties of the Site Herald. For further information feel free to talk to any Kingdom or Local Herald, or read about it in any SCA Herald Manual (many kingdom’s have one detailing duties and customs specific to their kingdom).

Maistir Rory

¹*Herald Duties*. In: *Ardanroe Event Manual*, Rev. 4/2/08. (Uploaded to Files Section 9/15/08) (Accessed September 29, 2008)





HERALDIC RESULTS

The following action took place at the April 2008 Laurel Sovereign of Arms' Pelican and Wreath meetings, and appears in the April 2008 LoAR printed August 31, 2008:

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS HAVE BEEN REGISTERED:

GLEANN ABHANN

Katharine le Spinnere. Name (see RETURNS for device).

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS HAVE BEEN RETURNED FOR FURTHER WORK:

GLEANN ABHANN

Katharine le Spinnere. Device. Argent, a spinning wheel reversed proper, on a chief gules three butterflies Or.

This device is returned for lack of documentation that this is a period spinning wheel. As Batonvert explains: [N]o example of a spinning wheel with a treadle has been found in period, either in art or as an artifact. Period wheels were either great wheels (as depicted in the Luttrell Psalter, 1338 -- Fig.1), or were smaller flyer wheels turned by a hand crank (as in the examples from 1480 and 1513 -- Fig. 2 and 3). A spinning wheel very like the submitted form, with three turned legs, treadle, and club distaff, is seen in a painting dated 1783 (Fig.4); this form may be dated earlier, but has not been dated to period. Patricia Baines, in the definitive book Spinning Wheels: Spinners and Spinning, states (p.92) that "For the introduction of the treadle there still seems to be no definite evidence prior to the seventeenth century."



Need another reason to be Thankful!?
How about a
FREE EVENT?

Lake Bistineau State Park, Group Camp 1 Nov. 28-30

The Shire of Ardanroe would like to invite all to join us for a 100% FREE event! This Social and War Practice will feature a late wakeup call; absolutely no firm schedule, and the opportunity to eat, play, and enjoy one another's company! The field will be available to all who wish to fight (providing appropriate marshals for those activities are available) and the Hall shall be made available for all Artisans who wish to work on their crafts in one another's company!

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All attendees: Weekend Daytrip
Attendance price: \$0.42 \$0.42
(That's right. You have to pay postage. Absolutely no reservations will be accepted via email.)

In an effort to make reserving for this event fair for all, we will only accept reservations sent via post after September 10, 2008.

Please indicate whether the reservation includes a bed and feast!

Feast is limited to 100; beds to 160.

Send reservations to: Sarah Lakey, PO Box 963 Benton, LA, 71006.
Include an email address if you would like notification that it has been received.

DIRECTIONS: From Shreveport: Take I-20 EAST to exit 33.
From Minden: Take I-20 WEST to exit 33.
From Exit 33, follow the State Park and SCA signs to Lake Bistineau State Park Group Camp 1.

Site is discreetly wet.

No pets are allowed.

Site will open at 5:00 PM on Friday and close at 10:00 AM on Sunday.

