

Baronial Contacts & Information



Baron DonalBane of Blakmers
(Michael Leonard)
brendoken.baron@midrealm.org



Baroness Katrina "Wolverine" Klein
(Allison Geraci)
brendoken.baroness@midrealm.org



Seneschal
Warder Vladimir Grigorovich
D'Ragoun
(Craig Taylor)
brendoken.seneschal@midrealm.org



Minister of Arts & Sciences
Lady Lena Krieger
(Lisa Krieger)
brendoken.moas@midrealm.org



Exchequer
Lady Nyssa
(Debbie Dye)
brendoken.exchequer@midrealm.org



Pursuivant/Herald
Völva Gísla Hrafnudóttir
(Katie Nolen)
brendoken.herald@midrealm.org



Signet
THL Seonaid inghean Ghriogair
(Yvonne Zimmer)
brendoken.signet@midrealm.org



Chronicler
Lady Annalena Cecilia Massari
(Alanna Furst)
brendoken.chronicler@midrealm.org



Archery Marshal
Lord Dungan MacRogan
(Don Jones)
brendoken.archery@midrealm.org



Chatelaine
Lord Gogan ap Gryffry
(Keith Raper)
brendoken.chatelaine@midrealm.org



Knights Marshal
Sgt. Patraic O Dochartaigh
(Pat Dougherty)
brendoken.marshall@midrealm.org



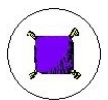
Webminister
Lord Bu
(Mat Wenger)
brendoken.webminister@midrealm.org



Rapier Marshal
Lord Artúr Mac Griogair
(Miles A Purdy)
milesapurdy@gmail.com



Social Media
Baintighearn Deirdre MakKyneth
(Erin Raper)
brendoken.socialmedia@midrealm.org



Chamberlain
TBD

This is the August 2023 issue of The Portcullis, a publication of the Barony of Brendoken of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. (SCA, Inc.) The Portcullis is edited by and available from Alanna Furst. It is not a corporate publication of the SCA, Inc., and does not delineate SCA, Inc., policies. Copyright 2023 Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. For information on reprinting photos, articles, or artwork from this publication, please contact the Chronicler, who will assist you in contacting the original creator of the piece. Please respect the legal rights of our contributors.

The Barony of Brendoken



The Portcullis



August 2023

Greetings Unto the Populace

Unto our friends, the populace of Barony of Brendoken, we send greetings.

To say the last month has been a whirlwind is an understatement!

First and foremost, thank you for all the help and support Baron Cadwgan has shown during the transition. We wish him nothing but the best in his “retirement,” knowing as he said at Pennsic court that Brendoken will always be his home.

Speaking of Pennsic, what a wonderful War it was for the Barony! From the opening ceremonies when we saw at least 30 Brendokenites processing in to the final battle on Friday (ask the commanders about the order of the Choo Choo!), the populace of the Barony showed nothing but excellence and chivalry on and off the field. We have always known about the depth and diversity of Brendoken’s talent. After this War, the Known World should know our qualities.

For numerous reasons, the investiture at Brendokenfest had to come together quickly. We are beyond grateful for the job Lady Christianna Aedammair and her staff did to get things running. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with Investiture. It will be day forever in our memory.

We have nothing but gratitude and humility in our hearts as we look forward to our time as Baron and Baroness. Brendoken’s strength is in all of our people working together. If we continue to do so, we know that the Barony will see success during our time and beyond.

HUNTER AND SABLE!!!

DonalBane and Katrina

Baron and Baroness of Brendoken



Three Towers

-two demos-mid Sept and Oct 13

-looking to build populace

-2nd and 4th Wed of month for meetings

Thistle

-practices on T

-looking for staff for investiture-Thrown Weapons, AS, Royalty Liaison, Court Herald, Public Works

Judith-Cooks Guild meeting after potluck

Nina-new baronial tabards in two different sizes finished

Wolverine

-A&S night July 21-Pennsic panic

-August-spilling the tea with HRH Neassa

-plans for moving A&S night around

Arwenna

-Aug 8-major election during Pennsic, register by July 10, early voting begins July 11

-read the verbage of the proposal

Lena

-apologies for not being present last few months; lots of life stuff

-paper for list for raffle tickets for wearing garb to meeting today and last month

-paper for A&S activities

-report is in

Patrick

-marshals, particularly armored, Pennsic good to learn about marshalling

-can be fully warranted marshal by end of Pennsic

Dieter-volunteer to marshal at least one battle

Chai

-volunteer at Pennsic, there is a coordinator if you want to find something to do, and you can find something related to what you enjoy

Donalbane

-troll at Pennsic will particularly need people, especially weekends

-Brendoken Camp-18 new people this year, come visit us

-thank you to all other baronial candidates for stepping up

Mahalo-need people for siege engines

Jaquelinne

-Cleftlands marketplace this Wed

Meeting adjourned; FOOD!

Baronial Meeting Minutes, continued

Rapier Marshal

- Pennsic-are we ready?
- HRH Neassa fighting rapier

Chamberlain-new one TBD

MOAS

- Pennsic next event; do all the things
- “Pennsic prep” can be put in the book
- ask for help if needed

Herald

- report is in
- it will take 9 mos to a year to get names and devices through because many submit at Pennsic
- waiting on 2 submissions within barony
- our heralds will help if you have ideas, which will help those in tent at Pennsic

Chronicler

- July Portcullis-example of article
- submission examples-recipes, pics of something new you learned, your area 101
 - any length up to a page of something interesting
- for August newsletter-Pennsic-pics, a few sentences on your favorite memory this year

Chatelaine

- officer export due 15th
- business card example to vote on after meeting
- has a deputy
- Three Towers-poking interest for demo Sat after Art in the Park

Webminister

- website has some updates
- upcoming events-Investiture, social media stuff coming soon

Social Media

- quiet, which is good, security in place for bad actors
- deputy Badger has meetings on MeetUp app
- TikTok over 3000 views, followers added from video
- Seneschal-would like armored, rapier, archery, textiles

Seneschals-reports due in 6 days

Alderford

- wonderful potluck, many people came
- starting to work on Masque on Feb 24

Gwyntarian

- potluck on Thurs; generally 2nd Thurs of month
- no meetings for three weeks beginning July 27, resume August 17

Baronial Meeting Minutes, 7/9/2023

Her Highness

- nice event yesterday-Push for Pennsic
- Pennsic here soon
- shenanigans-yes

Excellency

- Donalbane and Wolverine will be baronial successors
- thank you everyone who put their names in-great group of people
- large number of populace voted
- Pennsic
 - Brendoken court Monday 8/7 at 7pm in Gwyntarian camp; potluck after
 - HRH Wigthegn leading belted champions
 - unbelts-Sgt Avangar leading, HRH Neassa and Sgt Marellus on team, Vigfus an alternate
 - Midrealm Rapier melee unit-Grimborgh on team, Artur alternate
 - if involved in something, tell me; also, service points
 - Donalbane-make sure we have spot for baronial dayshade and helpers for setup
 - Viscount Judith will manage water bearing for barony; bring your own bottle and label it; need volunteers
 - if you are a fighter and will wear a baronial tabard once, make it field battles on

Thursday

- immediately after field battles, baronial unit pictures
- wyvern travel tokens
- Cadwgan's last baronial meeting-thank you for your support, means the world

Seneschal

- Thurs war week is time to shine

Exchequer

- John's last time
- 7847.30 balance after deposit for investiture and payment for straw bales for Thrown weapons

Signet

- scroll assignments out for Pennsic court
- Investiture is next event, submit recommendations-morning and evening courts

Archery Marshal

- Pennsic-please shoot for archery points, have had success in winning last 7 years, more war points for archery than anything else
- loaner gear combined into one thing by Offria and Saradwen
- Alderford practice T

Knights Marshal

- deputy will take over next month-thank you Patrick
- Patrick will need a deputy
- practices happening

(continued page 6)

Pennsic 50 Memories



Photo: Richard S. Mandel

Our barony making its
presence known at the
Opening Ceremonies



Photo: Janet MacGregor Jones

Grandma Mili and the grandkids
on the thrown weapons range



Photo: Tai Brandi Atkinson

Our rapier unit on the march to
the battlefield

I Came Here to Sweat

*A song for Pennsic 50 by Dungan and Mili
Inspired by Baroness Eadaoin at Pennsic 49*

Some like the moon and stars that shine
Some pray the sun will set
But heat is fine
It's Pennsic time!
And I came here to sweat!

Chorus:
Oh I came here to sweat (You bet!)
Don't hide me from the sun (not me!)
Just burn my eyes
And chafe my thighs
I've never had such fun!

The battle field was rank today
The water bearers fled
A feller smacked my helm so hard
It spun around my head
(Chorus)

I took my knives to the weapon range
And cocked my hand to throw
It slipped and flew behind me
Now they've asked me please to go
(Chorus)

My rapier did dip I fear
As one might well expect
My lunge went wide, my foot did slide
And on my arse I set
(Chorus)

I shot my arrows into the air
I haven't found them yet
My glasses fogged, my hair's all wet
A long hike home is all I get
(Chorus)

Pennsic Baronial Court

Lady Avelina Faber
Golden Alderleaf

Lady Christianna Aedammair
Golden Thistle

Lord Ursus of Vito's Minions
Golden Thistle

Noble Charité Lelièvre
Golden Tower

Lord Kenneth of Fetteresso
Golden Thistle

Lord Hawk Thorn
Golden Shield

Völva Gisla Hrafnudottir
Golden Thistle

Pennsic Kingdom Court

Noble Charité Lelièvre
Cavendish Knot

Lady Christianna Aedammair
Purple Fret

THL Saradwen Ariandalen
Purple Fret