Grapevine October 2011





Chronicler



Unto the worthy populace of Bordescros and to all of the friends of the Shire, Greetings.

Only a couple of weeks left till our Birthday Bash / Royal Visit, if you have not let me know that you are coming could you please do so before A&S this coming Sunday. I will be sending out more information before the weekend, please check it out and let me know if there is something you can help with.

Don't forget our meeting on Sunday.

Thanks to Mistress Margie for her contributions, we are start a series of article on her and Jon Dai's Mystery Bags they had, which if you don't know they won. This may take us a while to get through but we will have lots of information for the next few editions.

Please send any articles that you might have to rsteff1960@gmail.com the more the merrier.

Yours in Service,
Arnora BloodAxe



Calendar

 9^{TH} October Bordescros Fighter Training and A&S $15^{\text{TH}}/16^{\text{TH}}$ Birthday Bash and Royal Visit in Wagga October

5TH NOVEMBER LOCH ALBA TOURNEY AND FEAST

13TH NOVEMBER BORDESCROS FIGHTER TRAINING AND A&S 19TH NOVEMBER BORDESCROS TOURNEY AND FEAST

3RD DECEMBER LOCH ALBA TOURNEY AND FEAST

13th November Bordescros Fighter Training and A&S

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Bordescros Seneschal





Bordescros Awards

Jon Dai of the lane

Award of Arms

Wreath of Valour

Defender of the West

Order of Chivalry

Member of Des Cartes – Pillar of the West, Pride of Lochac

Cairistiona

Award of Arms

Leaf of Merit

Order of Pelican

Ysambart Courtin

Award of Arms

Court Barony

Silver Tear

Golden tear

Silver Pegasus

Lowry ferch Gwynwynwyn ap Llewyn

Award of Arms

Golden Tear

Grant of Arms

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William Fytz Symon

Award of Arms

Silver Tear

Golden Tear

Silver Helm

Magnus

Award of Arms

Royal Cypher

Golden Tear

Beowan Freeborn

Award of Arms x2

Golden Tear

Prix Jongleur

Thomasina Freeborn

Award of Arms x2

Golden Tear

Rosamunde von Stargard

Award of Arms

Silver Tear

Magdalena di Verona

Award of Arms

Aylen de Hameldune

Award of Arms

Bear

Aethwyn Maccuswell

Award of Arms

Award of Arms

Crimthann MacFiachach

Award of Arms

Elizabeth de Bohun

Award of Arms

James Douglas

Award of Arms

Julia de Lilburne

Award of Arms

Jack of Bordescros

Award of Arms

Einarr Thorgrimmson(Geoffery the Vigilant)

Award of Arms

Silver Tear

Arnora Bloodaxe

Award of Arms

Adelle La Verrier

Award of Arms

I apologise if I have missed anyone or their awards

Marshall



Fighter practice

The Albury and Loch Alba Practice will be for heavy combat training and rapier training if sufficient authorised marshals are available for each discipline



Loch Alba The last Sunday of each month between 2pm and 5pm.

Confirm with James Douglas as to where.



Bordescros The 2nd Sunday of each month from 2pm until 6pm (i.e. sunset if that keen!) at The Albury Wodonga Sport fishing Club Riverina Hwy.



Archery

Archery Training can be done at the club rooms on either day, Fighter Training & A&S or on our Tourney Day. Please ensure that the safety barrier is up before you start and is put away afterwards.

Please ensure all SCA rules and regulations are adhered to.



Hi All,

No bash in Wagga this weekend due to it being long, and in the middle of school holidays. I will update later with some training times for those who want to train in Wagga.

Cheers lames D

For those interested in getting some helmet time prior to the Royal visit on the 15/10/11, some of us have arranged to meet at Douglasdale, 14 Harrier St, Wagga on the following dates and times: Wednesday (05/10/11) from 4.15pm. I will have to finish by 6pm to take Bruce to fencing club for a hit out before the championships. Also avaliable Friday (07/10/11) from 3pm. I will also be avaliable on thursday 13/10/11 after 4pm and friday 14/10/11. Please let me know by return email if you are able to make any of these sessions so I ensure I am here.

Or call me on 0400739932.

News





LOCATION: Sport Fishing Club, Hinckler Drive (Lockheed Dr) off Borella Road, ALBURY 2640

START TIME: 2pm

COST: **FEAST & TOURNEY**

> \$10.00 Members \$12.00 Non-Members

Children Free

First Visit \$2 each **A&S & FIGHTER TRAINING**

\$2.00 per person

SCA YEARLY MEMBERSHIP

\$25.00 per year

WHAT TO WEAR: Feast and Tourney only

Medieval Garb

(The group have loaners for newcomers)

WHAT TO BRING: Medieval Food to share (Food for Feast & Tourney only but some of us bring afternoon tea for A&S)

Royal Visit

Royal visit 15th/16th October 2011,

Wagga Wagga Location:

Cost: **TBA**

Saturday: 2.00pm Tourney and Feast

10.00am Sunday:

Fighter Training with the King

More details in the upcoming weeks.

Medievally Pimp my Ride

We are running a competition to Medieval my mobility scooter. This competition will run until October and will be Judged at Birthday Bash, this gives people almost 2 months to organise their entries.

The entries only need to be made from cardboard and the winning entry will be made out of ply and I will use it when at events. Also there will be another prize for the winner.

Here are the dimensions of my mobility

Scooter.

Width 59 cm Length 1.25 m

Height

At the chair -1.33 m At the front -1 m

Gift for the Royal

Donations for the Royals gift Produce from the crossing

We are looking for produce either produced her on the Border or has been created/grown by you.

Please just bring along your donations to each event and we will make up a basket for the royals, No Candles or Soaps, no highly scented items.

If the donation is perishable just let us know and we will put it on our list.

May Crown 2012

Greetings!

I am pleased to announce that May Crown Tournament next year 2012 will be held in the Shire of Bordescros.

Congratulations to Bordescros, and thank you to all the groups who submitted bids for this event. Thank you also for your patience during the decision-making period.

in service, Katherina Weyssin Lochac Seneschal

Calendar





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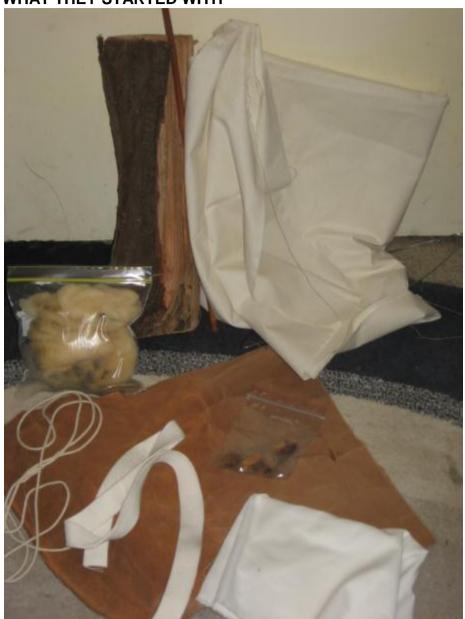
11TH DECEMBER BORDESCROS FIGHTER TRAINING AND A&S

17TH DECEMBER BORDESCROS TOURNEY AND FEAST

Mystery Bag



WHAT THEY STARTED WITH



The Stormhold A&S Mystery Challenge AS XLVI As met by Sir Jon amd Mistress Margie

At June Monthly Bash AS XLVI, the Mystery Bags were distributed. Thank you to Honey of the Forest who picked up our bag containing:

A piece of tan leather approx 30cm square;

A piece of fabric which appeared to be linen, but had a synthetic component, approximately 60cm square;

A piece of calico approximately 112cm square;

A piece of cotton webbing approximately 1m x 25mm;

A piece of cotton cord approximately 2m in length;

A piece of bamboo approximately 1m in length and 6mm in diameter

A piece of wood, complete with boring insects and ants, believed to be a fruitwood;

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A zip-lock bag containing star anise, pimento/allspice, nutmeg and cinnamon stick; A piece of pewter;

A zip-lock bag containing somewhat felted raw wool; and The green "enviro" shopping bag in which it was all stored.

Upon receipt of the bag and initial inspection our thoughts turned to what could be done with the contents.

Don ypron clene and gloves warme. Tak olde logge and chop hym yp fyne. Strike flynt with steele and let light charclothe and tynder. Mak yp wele. Cast kyndlyng ynto fyre. Scour wolle in yrine stronge and dye divers hues in olde vats overe fyre. Of other wolle spyn and mak cordes and knytte. Melte mettle over gode hete and poure hym forth to mak things of joye. Mak mask by hyttinge lether with mallets of wode and waxe hym wel. Fyx wolle on visage. Bind divers wolle and fethers onto hookes of yron with sylke for to catch fysh with an angle. Ypon the fyr, warme the cyder and fry ryssoles so that they be gode to ete. Whenne sated cast a kyte into the skye for plesure, or caste flys to catch fysse. To watch commedia is to gretely revel and to lighten the soule.

Initial thoughts with what could use the most bits and pieces, was to incorporate most of the items into a "Plague Doctor" costume and accourrements.





This would have consisted of the beak mask, hood, cape, pomander, stick and censer (thurible). Unfortunately although we could find references to plague doctors and their contracts and the above woodcut of an Elizabethan Physician, believed to be 16th Century, we could not find conclusive evidence for the classic plague doctor costume prior to 1665.

This also uncovered a lot of information about other medical practices of the times but nothing that would use the mystery items.

Following on from the mask idea, we then turned to the theme of 'labour and leisure'.

The Plague Doctor mask appears to be an extension of the leather masks used in the Italian Commedia Dell'Arte and is now more commonly known as the dottore della peste mask of Carnivale fame.



In keeping with the doctor theme, we decided that we would undertake a leather commedia dell'arte mask for the stock character of Il Dottore.







The cotton cord provided was used to make the ties for wearing the mask.

Commedia dell'Arte also provided the stimulus for what may be done with the wood, linen and cotton webbing.

Unfortunately the wood was too insect infested and damaged to cut a battacchio from, even though this was our original plan. The cotton webbing provided will form part of the handle and spacer required to make the clap.

A battacchio is better known by modern audiences as a slapstick.



Traditional Il Dottore props also include a linen handkerchief.

The wool originally tempted us toward angling and the use of artificial baits, ie flies and lures.

The bamboo and fabric reminded us of kites; most period references refer to these being made of paper or silk.

The piece of pewter was well hidden in the wool and prompted us thinking about making a token for the Drakkar Sweep. Casting was the obvious choice and has led to research for the use of cuttlefish bone. Other award tokens were then considered, including the Gallant Drakkar, for which there is not a current token. As we are both neighbours rather than members of Stormhold, we could see the humour in creating a token for an award which is only given to those who are not members of the Barony. This left us with the calico, wood and spices.

The wood was really only fit for burning, however all the pieces that came off (bark and borer residue), were rendered down to see if they could be used as a dyestuff.

The bugs were identified. However, zoology and entomology are products of the 17th and 18th centuries. The burning of the wood prompted what we could do the rest of the items; making the wood into kindling, calico into char-cloth and a waterproof bag, and the spices into the makings for a mulled wine/spiced cider mix, or other period recipe.

As a later addition we also decided to spin some somewhat felted raw fleece, and use it for knitting and making a drawstring cord for the waterproof bag.

In keeping with our emerging theme of 'Labour and Leisure' we decided to use the calico to make a Bruegel style apron. Such an apron would have been made of linen, not cotton.



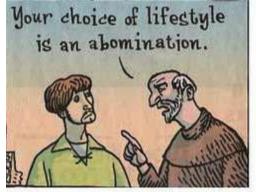
Detail from the Bruegel painting "Children's Games".

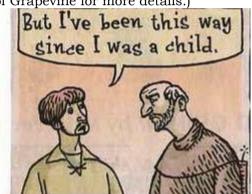
Any of our 'Labour' activities could incorporate the use of an apron.

The green enviro bag will continue to be used in its initial role, to transport everything around and house the bits till needed!

Decisions now made on what to do with our mystery items, experimentation and craft time begin. Labour and Leisure here we come!

(Watch this space in the next Edition of Grapevine for more details.)













Up Coming Events



Event: Royal Visit

Date: 15/16 October Time: 2pm Saturday 10am Sunday

Location: Wagga Wagga

Saturday Corner of Docker and Morgan St, Wagga

Sunday Collins park, corner of Forsyth and Thorne st, Wagga

Theme: Burgundian War - late 15th century.

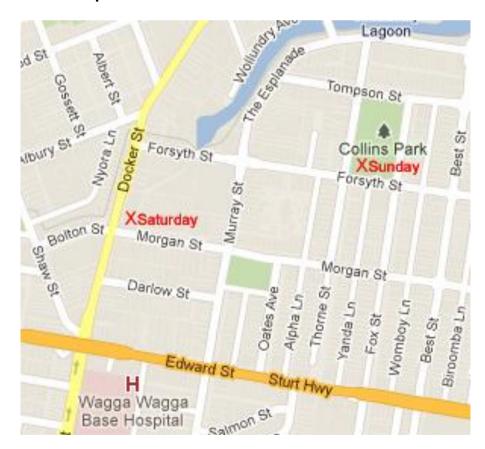
Cost: \$25 members \$30 non-members \$15 children Bookings to Rhonda Drewe (Arnora Bloodaxe) rsteff1960@gmail.com

Or 0428 249 870

Bookings close 1st October 2011 Thank You

This is not a camping event suggestions for accommodation are:

We would appreciate volunteers from Bordescros to cook a disk or two, there will be a discount on event fees for all Bordescros members cook. Contact Arnora to volunteer and to find out the discounted price.



November Crown

House Radburne will be hosting November Crown 2011 in the far western reaches of the Barony of Rowany from the 4th to 6th November 2011.

Information can be found on the November Crown web site http://lochac.sca.org/radburne/?page id=399

The theme is Lochac (red, white and blue).

Steward: Katrijn van Delden (Karen Hocking) katrijn.van.delden@gmail.com or phone 0419 850067

Timing and activities will be confirmed with the Crown closer to the event.

Merchants - we hope to have merchants on the Saturday morning. If you would like to hold a stall, please contact the Steward to register your interest and to assist us with our planning.

Arts and Sciences - full details in the coming week (watch this space)

Entertainment - we are looking for people who would like to perform at the Court and Feast on the Saturday evening. Please contact the Steward if you may be able to assist.

Accommodation - camping space is available on site for no extra charge.

Alternatively, there is a large range of accommodation in Dubbo itself (a short ten to fifteen minute drive from the site) ranging from caravan parks to 4 star motels. Average price for a double is around \$90 per night for a 3.5 star. Please contact the Steward for information/assistance with sourcing accommodation.

For interstate and overseas travelers there will be limited billeting available and will be on a first come, first served basis. Please contact the Steward if you are interested in billeting with one of the locals.

Transport - a mini bus may be available to get people from Dubbo to the site (with a local driver), this will be dependent on numbers. Cost is \$20 per person for the weekend - we require a minimum of 24 confirmed (and paid for) for this service to run. Timetables will be posted for pickup/drop off and will be based on numbers. Should this service not run, local members will be able to ferry people for a small donation to cover fuel costs. Further details will be provided closer to the date.

Getting to Dubbo:

Daily air, rail and coach services to Dubbo mean you can escape that peak-hour frustration in any way that suits.

Dubbo is just an hour's flight from Sydney or a scenic five-hour drive from the coast that takes you through breath-taking mountains, valleys and sprawling plains. Taking the Dubbo XPT, which has an on-board café, means you can sit back, relax and enjoy the journey.

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By Air - Dubbo City Airport is located five kilometres North West of Dubbo on the Mitchell Highway (and is on the way to the site).

Serviced by Regional Express and Eastern Australian Airlines (QantasLink), the Airport provides regional passenger transport services between Dubbo and Sydney with connecting flights available interstate and overseas.

Dubbo City Airport is one of the leading regional airports in Australia with 154 Regular Public Transport (RPT) flights per week operating to and from the Airport, as well as charter flights, general aviation flight training and airfreight operations.

By road - Dubbo is the central hub for all major highways throughout NSW. Major road links are to Brisbane, Melbourne, Adelaide, Canberra, Sydney and Newcastle.

Climate/Weather

November tends to be warmer in Dubbo with temperatures ranging from 20 to 35 degrees Celsius through the day. On average, early November tends to see temperatures in the low to mid twenties however please be prepared that it could get warmer (or cooler). Drinking water will be provided as well as plenty of shade. Rain is not common this time of the year however stranger things have happened.

Cost - please see the web site

Bookings opened at 12th Night (15th January 2011) and will close on 14th October 2011. Payment will be required with booking to confirm your place - payment facilities will not be available on the day. Payment may be made via direct deposit and details can be obtained from the Steward. Bookings can be made to Katrijn van Delden (Karen Hocking) at novembercrown2011@gmail.com. A booking form is available on the website which can be emailed or printed and posted to the Steward.

As details become clearer with bookings (and confirmed numbers), updates will be posted on our website lochac.sca.org/radburne at regular intervals.

For further information, any questions or if you would like to offer assistance, please contact the Steward, Katrijn van Delden (Karen

Hocking) at katrijn.van.delden@gmail.com or phone 0419 850067 anytime.

You can also ring 02 6887 3345 on weekends (after 9am please) or weekdays between 7pm and 9pm.

William Marshal Memorial Tourney and Feast



A chivalric weapons tourney will be held on Saturday, December 3th. at Darebin Parklands, Separation Street & Smith Street, Alphington—

http://maps.google.com.au/maps?ie=UTF8&II=37.773386,145.032942&spn=0.009159,0.019913&z=17

Tourney from 11am. Lists open 11 AM, tourney from Noon sharp (NO SCA TIME).

Feast from 5pm at the Parklands

At the feast will also be a Best Angevin Garb competition and the the Baronial Arts and Sciences Championship.

Prices:

\$16 for members, \$21 for non-members

under 8 \$ 0 9-16 \$10

Tourney only - by arrangement with steward

Tickets will be on sale from the steward after Great Southern Gathering to the 1st of December. Payment by Direct Deposit only.

Chivalric weapons are two-handed sword or shield with either sword, mace or axe. This will be followed by the usual Challenge Resurrection Ransom melee (ransoms will be supplied by the event, commensurate with the status of the fighter) in the style of the twelfth century

Anyone with special dietary requirements please advise the Steward.

Steward: þorfinn Hrolfsson roylance.s@gmail.com

PO Box 1289, Hawksburn, 3141





November

1st Weekend Early Tourney of the Yellow Rose

Radburne

(Dubbo, NSW)

Crown Tourney

Kingdom

December

1st Saturday Early

William Marshal Tournament

Yule

Stormhold (Melbourne, VIC)
Rowany (Peats Ridge, NSW)

Recipes



Coke's Guilde & Receipts By Lady Thomasina Freborn

October birthday event and Royal visit

Menu-

First Remove:

- Roasted beefe with poivre noir (pepper sauce).
- Mange moleynne (Poached chicken with an almond sauce).
 - New peas for a fish day (peas in milk and ginger).
 - · Cariota (roasted carrots with a herb dressing).
 - Ris engoule (rice cooked in milk and beef broth).
 - Amplummus (an apples sauce).

Second remove:

- Pour Farsir oes (To stuff eggs).
- Cameline meat brewet(thinly sliced beef pickled in a Cameline sauce).
 - Mushroom pasty (mushroom and cheese pie).
 - Caboches in potage (Cabbage soup).
 - Cruste rolle (fried dough circles).
 - · Pears (baked pears).

Arts and Sciences



Shire A&S Competitions

Sorry No new Challenges

Medieval my Mobility Scooter – to be judge in October

Kingdom A&S

Are you wondering what your next project should be? Have you considered entering the A&S competition at November Crown?

The upcoming competition at November Crown covers the following categories:*

- A functional item made of clay****
- A SCA feast menu, with period recipes, themed to suit a particular historic event (eg based on a historic feast). For unusual ingredients, like lampreys, show where you could get them from now, or what you would substitute and why.****
- A painted item, using period materials

It isn't necessary for you to attend the event. You can send your work along with someone else attending the event. There is also the possibility of submitting an entry via email.

The competition is open to all levels of experience, not just the veterans of A&S competitions.

BORDESCROS ARTS & SCIENCES COMPETITIONS FOR ASXLI

- Unless indicated otherwise, all competitions are to cover all regions of the world 600 CE to 1600 CE.
- Items do not have to be new, but must be made by the person/s submitting them to the competition.
- They should not be entered into a competition at the Shire level more than once, unless it was incomplete at the first occasion.
- Documentation is not essential, but will result in extra points.
- Points are awarded up to 10 for each of documentation, authenticity, creativity/presentation, complexity and workmanship

Children's Page



If you have any activities that would suit children or just information aimed at children please send it to me and we will include it here.

I will try and include a web site as well to check out, so if you know of any please send me the links ...

http://www.learner.org/interactives/middleages/feudal.html

<u>http://www.coloring-book.info/coloring/</u> check out this page for more pictures for your children to color in.



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Bordescros AUS Entry Form

(to be completed by the Entrant and retained by the Bordescros A&S Officer)

Event:
Date:
Name of Competition:
SCA Name:
Legal Name:
Entry No:
Contact Details:
(Address or Email)
Time Frame / Location in Period:
Have you included Documentation with your entry?
□ Yes □ No
agree to have a photo of this entry added to the Bordescros A&S Web Site:
□ Yes □ No
agree to have a photo of this entry and documentation published in Bordescros Grapevine:
□ Yes □ No
INFORMATION FOR JUDGES: s this your first attempt at this type of item / skill ? Yes No
would consider my experience level in this skill to be:
Beginner Intermediate Advanced Professional (A&S Officer, please check the Entrant's skill level is noted on the A&S Competition Judging Form).
Signed:(date)

Bordescros Regnum





King & Queen King Cornelius and Queen Elizabeth



Prince & Princess Crown Prince ? and Crown Princess?



Seneschal Lord Jon Dai of the Lane



Hospitaller Position Vacant



Herald Pursuivant Lady Lowry



Reeve Lord Crimthann MacFiachac



Knight Marshal Magnus



Arts & Science Emmy



Constable Position Vacant



Chronicler Lady Arnora BloodAxe



Web Position Vacant

