The Bard’s Banner

To All Things...

Spring
AS XLVII
The Bard’s Banner; Issue 15
Spring AS XLVII (2013)

Tir Bannog Officers

Seneschal: HL Tewl Gover (Douglas Jeffery); cardinal5290@gmail.com

Deputy Seneschal: HL Betha of Dawlish (Cyndy Jeffery); betha_1838@hotmail.com

Exchequer: Lord Piers Lakewood (Kevin Miller); kj4mill@telus.net

Herald: Lady Alys Lakewood (Jennifer Miller); kjc3mill@telus.net

Master of Stables: Lord Nikolaas D’anvers (Scott Brown); scottejbrown@telus.net

Chatelaine: Lady Alys Lakewood (Jennifer Miller); kjc3mill@telus.net

You can also see more about us at our website! http://tirbannog.tirrigh.org

Table of Contents

Welcome! .... pg. 3
A Pictorial History of Boar Mt. Hold A Collection of Highlights from the past six years… ... pg. 4
Upcoming Events ....pg. 13
A Final Note ... pg. 14

The Bard’s Banner is published (hopefully) 4 times per year, on a seasonal schedule. It is a publication of the Shire of Tir Bannog, in the Principality of Tir Righ, Kingdom of An Tir, of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. It is not a corporate publication of the SCA, nor does it delineate SCA policy.

Copyright 2013 Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc

This publication shall recognize those that submit articles, photos, etc. You won’t be paid for your submission, but you will have the thanks of myself and our readers.

If you find you need to contact me over something herein, please send an email to: kj4mill@telus.net

Lastly, this publication is meant for the enjoyment of all; share it amongst yourselves and your friends. At the end of the day, if I’ve made someone smile, I’ve done my job.

-Piers Lakewood (Kevin Miller)
Welcome! ... and Goodbye

(Boar Mountain Hold attends their first event: the Feast of St. Crispin’s, 2007)

As I sit here writing this, my last introduction, I am looking out our front room window, watching the clouds sliding swiftly through the sky, seemingly gone before they’ve ever really been here. And then I look back on the last six and a half years, and realize that they, too, have fled swiftly into the past before we had time to truly appreciate them.

September of 2007 was when Boar Mountain Hold held its first official meeting as a Household. The month before we held a gathering in our village for those individuals that might be interested in joining the SCA. Nikolaas’ brother, Kurgan the Mad attended from Cold Keep, and Tewl Gover of Tir Bannog also showed up (without knowing any of us involved) to introduce us to the concepts of Heavy and Rapier fighting, respectively, and what to expect in the SCA in general.

From those humble beginnings, we have moved ever forward in our knowledge and appreciation of what we have become a part of. We have participated in Tournaments and Wars, represented our Shire at many events and helped to host our own. We have grown from complete beginners to teachers and mentors in our own right.

As for myself, I have been writing and editing this “newsletter” for over three and a half years now, chronicling the adventures of our Shire and the people within, as well as our friends and neighbours. It has been a fun and frantic time for me, but sadly it must now come to an end. Time constraints mean that the events I will be able to attend in the near future will be very few and far between, thus I am putting aside my writing pen, perhaps someday to pick it up again.

I would like to thank all those who have helped me to put the Banner together over the years. Their articles and reports helped me to make many a deadline, and gave me thoughts and future ideas for articles. For all those who have mentored us, befriended us and made the SCA a truly great experience, thank you. It truly has been the people that have kept us travelling to events, and that is something I will miss in the coming months.

I would also like to thank you, my readers. It’s not easy to set down words to paper (even on a quarterly basis) without wondering if it’s worth the effort, or if anyone is even listening. From the responses I’ve received, though, I know that it has been worth it, if only to bring a smile to a face, and a fond remembrance of events past... Thank you again for visiting, dear readers, and to you all, a good night.
A Pictorial History of Boar Mt. Hold
A Collection of Highlights from these past six years
St. Crispin’s 2007

[Editors note: This was it, our first event. After scrambling madly for anything at all that we could wear as garb, we made it… only to learn how much more we would need.]

(Lady Elora shows us how to shoot combat arrows)

(Our first look at rapier fighting… and I was hooked.)

(At the Feast)

(The gathered heavies gracefully offering themselves as targets for combat archery practice)

(“Now I know what I want for my next outfit…”)

4
Clinton War 2008

(We made it! Our first Clinton War…)

(Saturday Night’s alright for dancing…)

(The Heavies get together on the war field…)

(Honour guard for the Baroness’ Walk)

(Rapiere war time (with me in the middle!))

(Sunday’s Tavern Brawlers…)
Burning Man 2008

[Editor: This social was created as Boar Mt. Hold’s contribution to “events” in the north. It has since become a “must attend” for many northerners.]

(A very humble beginning for the Burning Man…)

(Keeping warm between shooting rounds…)

(Friends and food… what more do you need?)

(A&S is also popular at Burning Man!)

(In between the shoot and the feast.)
Penguin Crusade 2009

(Lady Alys teaching Stained Glass.)

(Feast time on Saturday night!)

(Heavy Class.)

(On to the Archery tournament.)

(And Rapier Class.)

(Some of the “fierce” competitors…)
May Champions 2009

(Lord Madyn in his element… archery.)

(Posing for posterity…)

(Meanwhile, inside the hall, bead making is happening…)

(It’s feasting time again.)

(the heavy fighters gather for their tournament…)

(DRAGON!!)
Olympic Demo 2010

[Editor: During the build up to the Vancouver Olympics in the Winter of 2010, the Olympic torch travelled through the village of Burns Lake on its way South. We were invited to attend the event and put on a display…]

(We got by with a little help from our (out of town) friends)

(Putting our best faces forward…)

(Gather ‘round the display, folks…)

(The Boar Mountain Heavies put on a show of strength and skill for the event goers…)

(The youngbloods in full regalia.)
Winter War 2010

[Editor: The Lakewoods’ first out of province event]

(Behind the protective netting, War breaks out!)

(Watching the Heavies duke it out…)

(Yet more war, this time the Heavies’ turn to do battle.)

(Faelan preparing himself to do battle.)

(There was lots to see and buy at Winter War…)

(And after the war, a time for peace (and posing))
Fields of Gold 2011

(Starting things off with the Heavy Defender Tourney.)

(“Welcome to the Red Wolf Inn!”)

(The ladies defend themselves against the gents…)

(The Heavy Finals.)

(Watching the Rapier action.)

(A quiet moment…)
Burning Man 2011

(An ugly brute, indeed…)

(Kurgan explains the rules of the tournament…)

(Let the Archery begin!)

(Friends for now and forever…)

(Time to eat before the Burning…)

(The Burning Man, doing what he does best…)
Upcoming Events

Cold Keep May Defenders: May 4, Cold Keep

The snows have receded and the green of spring has arrived. With it comes tournaments. The Shire of Cold Keep invites all to join them in choosing their new Heavy, Rapier and A&S Defenders. Come to compete. Come to cheer. Come to simply enjoy our hospitality.

Event Steward: Anastasia Ivanovicha (Stacey Linton). Phone: (250)649-6954, e-mail: ckchatelaine@avacal.sca.org

Site Fees: Adults – $10.00, Child (13-18) – $5.00, 12 & under – Free. ($5.00 Non-member surcharge will apply) Make Cheques payable to: Shire of Cold Keep

Feast Tickets: $12.00 each, (12 & under free). Please note: Feast tickets must be paid in advance. (The only reserved ticket is a paid ticket.) Feast-o-crat: Terina Milano (Nikki Moorhead), e-mail: terinamilano@gmail.com for more information or to reserve. Please inform her of any special dietary needs.

Gate Co-ordinator: Caitlin the Rose. To pre-register e-mail caitlin_the_rose@hotmail.com with your SCA name, Mundane name, Branch and Membership #

Site: Miworth Community Hall, 13510 Flint Road, Prince George, BC, V2M 7B9

Directions: Travel to Prince George, BC. Make your best way on Highway 97, (the Bypass) to 5th Avenue. Turn West onto 5th Avenue and follow it onto Foothills Boulevard. Turn North onto Foothills and continue to Otway Road, (just before the bridge). Take the off-ramp to Otway and turn East. Continue 11km to Flint Road. (note: the road crosses thee railway tracks THREE times before you reach the site). SCA signs will be posted.

Penguin Crusade: May 10, Cae Mor

The Crusade is back. The Shire of Cae Mor invites all gentles and friends to our annual Penguin Crusade. We will be holding our Archery, Rapier and Heavy champions’ Tourney, all archers and fighters with fighter cards are welcome to the lists.

Schedule as follows:
Informal social Friday evening at HL Wlfryd of Leeds and HL Rhianon of Shewsbury’s home. #31-863 Lahakas Kitimat.
Saturday: AM Heavy Tourney and Archery Tourney
PM Rapier Tourney
Evening Feast
Sunday: Pancake Breakfast and site cleanup.

Feast Menu:
1st remove: Cheese and Bread assortment
Squash Soup
2nd remove: Prime Rib Roast
Yorkshire Pudding
Roasted Root Vegetables
3rd remove: Assorted sweets
For reservations and dietary concerns please contact HL Rhiannon of Shrewsbury. Please note in order
to have the Prime Rib we will need at least 25 reservations.

Site: Mount Elizabeth Secondary School. 1491 Kingfisher Ave. Kitimat BC

Site fee: $5.00 for adults and youth 12-18, children 11-under free. NMS is applicable for adults. Feast fee: Adults $20.00, Youth $15.00, Children $10.00.

Gotta Get the Penguin!

A Final Note:

Spring has reached the North again, when the sun spreads its tendrils of light into the dark of Winter, and reawakens the land. To me, it is also a time of remembrance of those no longer with us, and one in particular. This last issue of the Bard’s Banner is dedicated to the Hermit of the Hold, Ed Brown. You are still missed.

-Kevin Miller (Piers Lakewood), Editor.