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Clinton- Thirty Years of War

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the baron's column

Baron Griffin ap Bedwyr

I would like to send out my congratulations to Viscount Sir Ieuan Gower, the new Heavy Defender of Lions Gate. I know with Sir Ieuan we are well defended. Also, I look forward to May Bardic to see who will be our Defender of the Bardic Arts. It should be a fine day of music and entertainment. The May Bardic event also celebrates the new year of our Society which saw its birth in May of 1966 (coincidentally, so did I). We look forward to a very busy May that will also see the creation of heirs to both the Throne of An Tir and of Tir Righ.



Sharpen your cooking skills! The sciences points for both Sealion War and Clinton War involve food preparation. Sealion will be period war rations while Clinton will see a siege cooking contest. Also at Sealion the arts contest will be propaganda.

Joan of Arc



did you know...

In early May of 1429 Joan of Arc ended the Siege of Orleans, a major turning point in the Hundred Years War. The siege had begun in October of 1428 and by spring the cooking was definitely leaving something to be desired.

Painting, c.1485. Artist's interpretation; the only portrait for which she is known to have sat has not survived. (Centre Historique des Archives Nationales, Paris, AE II 2490)

APRIL COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

APRIL 22, 2009 7:30PM

REPORTS

SENESCHAL – Uilliam Nothing to report

DEMO – Aelana No report, not here

EXCHEQUER – Anika

Of course we have money...about \$16K with about \$5300 in expenses for the rest of the year.

CHAMBERLAIN – Edrik

The lost and found has been condensed substantially and brought in about \$114 for the Barony. We are missing a cash box but we're on the hunt for it. Baronial pavilion's roof has been repaired.

CHRONICLER – Beitris

Ceara is out and Beitris is in. Ceara will stay on as secretary to take notes at Council for the web for now. Transferring of files and education continues.

CHATELAINE – Genevieve

Expected a big influx as a result of the CelticFest but there hasn't really been a lot. Just a few but that's okay.

PIED PIPER – no report

DRAGONWARD

We're going to do another push to see if the website will work or not and make the call at the end of the summer about what we'll do about the office.

WATCH – nothing to report

A&S – John

Previous events – Mar 27 Bransle – Coat making class

Upcoming Events

Apr 25 – 26 Sir Eddies A&S Competition

Generally there is “the thing you do or make”, documentation on what you know about its

“periodness” etc. You will also need to make a presentation to the judges (as though you were teaching).

May 2 May Bardic

Bardic Defenders tournament and A&S displays through the hall.

May 22 Bransle

I will be working on having some leather workers on site for basic training as well as a weaving class for kids. Next Bransle is part 2 of coat class. After that, going to try to get a leather working class.

HERALDRY – Caegmen Sable Loat (not here)

Emailed in from California. Will be at Bardic for roving consultation. The sun is nice here. Woo!

SCRIBE – Miles (Not here)

A Lions Fang charter was given out and the May Defender scroll will be ready in time. Principality Scribe is stepping down.

STABLES – Cyneric (not here)

Uilliam has the report

ARCHERY – James (not here)

Uilliam has the emailed report from James from afar. Anika – No archery at Defenders

BLADES – Warrick

Practices continue to be very successful. Have been invited to Penguin Crusade to do rapier so I'm going.

LISTS – Elena

Algae was impressed at how well Elena did on her first lists on her own. This is great.

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COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

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CLINTON

Last week, there was a special meeting to discuss Maelan and Scellanus' offer. The vote held resulted in declining the decision. Maelan was informed of the decision but... Amanda mentioned that the offer was made last November and her understanding was that it what the offer was. When told what the decision was, the terms of the offer was clarified. Apparently, she won't rent the site to a branch who will charge a site fee. Sounds like there may have been some communication issues. It's unclear. We were basing our decision on the information we had at the time. If this had been known, it would have been a different discussion. Given the situation, it was suggested that the Seneschal, Exchequer and Coronet make a decision on the matter asap after this meeting. Everyone agreed.

RAPIER – Warwick and Francesca

The official paperwork and the practice is officially switched over to the Barony now. However, now that all the money has been counted and sorted out, the Barony has made about \$1,300 in profit. Wow! This is amazing! Big thanks to Warwick and Francesca for getting this all figured out. Warwick reported that a field marshal (not from around here) took a hammer to the teeth and had a \$5K dental bill. Warwick is suggesting that all field marshals should be wearing fencing helms for protection. Warwick has priced out 5 masks for the Barony to purchase for \$237. Quote was emailed to the Seneschal and Exchequer. Given that we don't know what the duty will cost, vote for up to \$300 to cover the costs. Approved. Since he got a discount, there may be a few more masks may be included in the order for other folks but these won't be charged to the Barony, of course.

MAY BARDIC – Margaret

Planning is going great. There will be a lunch available for purchase organized by Fiona the Archer. At the potluck, Morweena is cooking the Baronial contribution. Just about all finished with preparation. Everyone is encouraged to be come because it's going to be great. We have 4 Bardic entrants confirmed. The competition will take place during the day and after the potluck feast. We will have a liquor licence but not for alcohol sales. Please come help set up and take down too. Ylas is doing gate. \$500 float voted on and approved.

PAGEANTRY PROJECT

Last month we discussed Edrik's "crazy" idea. Apparently that one is scrapped and he's got a bigger, crazier one! The call went out last month and only received an email of offer for help. At the moment, no other applications have been received however is everyone on board for this? Yes! Okay, now who is going to be in charge and how are we going to do this? Let's form a committee of Council. Uilliam suggested that committee be Edrik (Chamberlain), John (A&S) and Caegmen (Herald). Edrik and John have agreed. Caegmen is in California so... ☺ Edrik thinks he should chair. Ha ha! They can pull in more folks as they need to.

IRON KEY AND ARCHERY KEY – Baron Griffin

No firm ideas on what we need yet but it's being worked on. We're looking to supply new fighters at practices. We have enough to outfit one fighter mostly. Everything is needed. They don't have to be pretty it just needs to be safe and functional. Suggested that a call for donations of spare parts will be made to the lists. Margaret said it would be nice if we had a nice lighter weight bow (15-20 lbs) and a lot more arrows (longer ones). Warrick asked if it would be cost effective to have metal arrows as they last longer. Margaret says that it would be nice to have a mix. It was suggested we wait till James gets back to figure it out further. Edrik asked if we have any thrown weapons for loaners either but the Barony hasn't had anything with thrown weapons in a while.

BARON & BARONESS

Baron Griffin is organizing a Girl Guide demo on May 9th and help is needed. 3pm at Camp Kanaka in Maple Ridge. Full details will be emailed out to the list.

ABOUT HEAVY DEFENDERS

it wasn't a highly attended event and there wasn't really a lot happening other than the tournament which is unfortunate. It's concerning in splitting Archery and Heavy Defenders. Hopefully Archery Defenders will go a lot better than that. Uilliam pointed out that this is kind of the discussion we had for A&S Defenders as well which is why it was combined with Days of Dance and Newcomers. John confirmed that there will be other stuff planned for Archery Defenders plus the added draw of the war practice the next day. Again, at the end of the season this year, we'll re-evaluate all our events and see where we're at.

Meeting concluded at (*gasp*) 8:30pm.

TREETINGS ALL FROM THE BARONS OF LIONS GATE,

As many of you know this will be the thirtieth anniversary of Clinton War. There are many traditions associated with this war that make it unique from all other events in the Known World. One of those traditions, that has been absent for a number of years, will be returning for this momentous occasion.

In the spirit of celebration the site owners, Viscount Scellanus and Viscountess Mealen, have graciously offered the use of their land free of charge to the Barony of Lions Gate. In return the Barony will not be charging a site fee for this year's Clinton War. As in the early years of Clinton War all that is required to attend is a willingness to give of your time and effort to make this event happen. Donations of essential supplies are also appreciated.

So we invite you all to come and enjoy this historic occasion to celebrate Clinton Thirty. With everyone contributing and working together we can make this an extraordinary event.

Yours in Service

Griffin and Caitrin,

Baron and Baroness of Lions Gate



Medieval Trivia

Did you find the previous quizzes too easy? Try this more challenging one. You will find the answers on page 9.

1. What was a beadle?
 - a. A disease-carrying insect
 - b. A fine
 - c. A manorial official
 - d. A popular talisman during the Black Death

2. Where was King John forced to accept the Magna Carta?
 - a. Hastings
 - b. Pembroke
 - c. Runnymede
 - d. Stamford

3. Who wrote *De triangulis omnimodis libri quinque* ("Five Books on Triangles of All Kinds")?
 - a. Copernicus
 - b. Galileo
 - c. Paracelsus
 - d. Regiomontanus

4. The initial objective of the Fourth Crusade was to recapture Jerusalem, but the Crusaders never made it there. What did they capture instead?
 - a. Constantinople
 - b. Cyprus
 - c. Dalmatia
 - d. Sicily

5. Who was Nithard?
 - a. A 10th-century Antipope
 - b. One of Charlemagne's greatest knights
 - c. Henry V's most valued advisor
 - d. A writer and historian

TIR RIGH CORONET TOURNEÏ

May 22 - May 24, 2009

eisenmarche

Coquitlam & Pitt Meadows, BC

Autocrat: Desiree Chirastella

<http://www.tirrigh.org/maycoronet2009/>

EVENT INFORMATION

Cost: Adults \$15 Cdn (plus NMS),

Youth (13-18) \$10 Cdn

Children 0-12 free

Family Cap (\$50) Merchant fee \$10.

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Directions to site can be found at

[http://www.antir.sca.org/Upcoming/?Event_](http://www.antir.sca.org/Upcoming/?Event_ID=2056)

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Site Location:

Albion Fairgrounds

23588- 105th Ave

Maple Ridge, BC:

SCHEDULE

(subject to Royal approval)

Friday

3:00 pm Site opens

Saturday

Coronet Tourney

Archery Tournament

Bardic Championship

Sunday

Squires and Cadets tournaments

Youth armoured combat

2:00 pm Closing Court

6:00 Site close

**Other activities: listen for announcements regarding times

London Masters Rapier Tourney

Cabbage football for the kids

Ladies Frying Pan toss

Brewers Guild Meeting

Answers to Medieval Trivia Quiz

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calendar of events

2005

May						
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

May	EVENT	BRANCH	LOCATION	AUTOCRAT
■ 2	May Bardic & Bardic Defenders	Lions Gate	Vancouver	Marg. of Stirlingshir
👑 15-18	Kingdom Crown Tournament	Montengarde		
22	Bransle			
👑 22-24	Tir Righ Coronet Tournament	Eisenmarche		
26	North Wind deadline			
27	Baronial Council			

June	EVENT	BRANCH	LOCATION	AUTOCRAT
5-7	Sealion War	Seagirt	Victoria	
■ 20	Archery Defender & War Practic	Lions Gate		Bid needed
23	North Wind deadline			
24	Baronial Council			
26	Bransle			
👑 26-28	Tir Righ - Avacal War	Ramsgaard		

July	EVENT	BRANCH	LOCATION	AUTOCRAT
2-5	An Tir - West War	Tymberhavene	Gold Beach, OR	
10-12	Stranded Mermaid	False Isle		
👑 17-19	Kingdom Coronation	Three Mountains		
22	Baronial Council			
■ 31	Clinton War begins	Lions Gate	Clinton	

August	EVENT	BRANCH	LOCATION	AUTOCRAT
■ 1-3	Clinton War	Lions Gate	Clinton	Bid needed
21-23	Seagirt Summer Tourney	Seagirt	Victoria	
21-23	Warren War	Shittemwoode		
25	North Wind deadline			
26	Baronial Council			
👑 28-30	Tir Righ Investiture	TBA		
■ ??	SYGC	Lions Gate	TBA	TBA

Sept	EVENT	BRANCH	LOCATION	AUTOCRAT
👑 4-7	Kingdom Crown Tournament	Terra Pomaria		
11-13	Odin's Playground	Lionsdale		

Sept	EVENT	BRANCH	LOCATION	AUTOCRAT
👑 25-27	Tir Righ Coronet Tourney	Seagirt	TBA	

Oct	EVENT	BRANCH	LOCATION	AUTOCRAT
9-12	Golden Swan	Appledore		
17-18	Freeze Off	Ramsgaard		

Nov	6-8	Fall Crown Council	TBA	
■	14	Baroness' Birthday Tourney	Lions Gate	Bids needed
	20-22	Tir Righ Investiture	Tir Righ	
Dec	5	Baronial Banquet	Lions Gate	Bids needed

compendium



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